Annual Report
of
Town Officers
of the
Town of Agawam
Massachusetts

For the Year Ending December 31

1926

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Town Officers ~~1926–1927~~

Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and Board of Health

GILES W. HALLADAY H. ~~PRESTON~~ WORDEN
CHARLES W. HULL

Town Clerk and Treasurer

HENRY E. BODURTHA

Collector

~~H. PRESTON WORDEN~~

School Committee

CLIFFORD M. GRANGER .....Term expires 1929
GRACE B. REED .....Term expires 1929
ARTHUR RUDMAN .....Term expires 1928
HARRY A. SPAIGHT .....Term expires 1928
J. ~~ARSENE~~ ROY .....Term expires ~~1927~~
SIDNEY F. ATWOOD .....Term expires 1927

Assessors

R. ~~MATHER TAYLOR~~ (deceased)
CLARENCE H. GRANGER .....Term expires 1927
~~EDWARD H. HAMBLEN~~ .....Term expires 1928
ADOLPHUS PROVOST .....Term expires 1929

Auditor

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD

Library Trustees

CLARENCE H. GRANGER .....Term expires 1929
ANNA H. RUDMAN .....Term expires 1928
IDA BERNATCHEZ .....Term expires ~~1927~~

Trustees of Whiting Street Fund

ALBERT H. BROWN .....Term expires 1928
FREMONT H. KING .....Term expires 1927

Cemetery Commissioners

WILLIAM D. RISING .....Term expires 1927
DWIGHT E. BAILEY .....Term expires 1928
FRANK W. RANDALL .....Term expires 1929

Water Commissioners

WALTER S. KERR .....Term expires 1929
DENNIS M. CROWLEY .....Term expires 1928
JOHN L. BURKE .....Term expires 1927

Tree Warden

EDWIN M. HITCHCOCK

Constables

DWIGHT E. BAILEY
WARREN C. BODURTHA
DANIEL O. CESAN
HENRY E. CHANNELL
EARL E. DICKINSON
ALVIN R. KELLOGG
RALPH D. POND
MELVIN H. RANSOM
ARTHUR H. ROWLEY
CHARLES H. WYMAN

Surveyors of Lumber

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN
CHARLES W. HULL
FREMONT H. KING
NELSON G. KING

Measurers of Wood

LOUIS CONTI
CHARLES W. HULL
ALVIN R. KELLOGG
NELSON G. KING

Public Weighers

PRENTISS JENKS
HARVEY E. PORTER
ARTHUR RYAN
FRANK WHITTAKER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

EDWIN U. LEONARD

Chief of Police

~~MELVIN H. RANSOM~~

Perley J. Henry

Registrars of Voters

EMIL A. ROY
HOWARD W. POND
PHILIP W. HASTINGS
HENRY E. BODURTHA

Inspector of Animals and Meats

JAMES H. CLARK

Fire Engineers

FRANK T. GOSS
RILEY S. FARNSWORTH
EDWARD J. GOSSELIN

Foreman in Charge of Highway Work

CHARLES H. WYMAN

Fence Viewers

CHARLES F. BARDEN
THOMAS A. KERR

Field Drivers

WILLIAM S. HALLADAY
FRANKIE H. CAMPBELL

Burial Agent

~~JAMES F. KIRBY~~

Edwin B. Bowring

Town Counsel

WENDELL G. BROWNSON

Town Clerk's Report

TOWN ELECTION, MARCH 1, 1926

Precinct	A	B	C	Total
Number of ballots cast	386	212	283	881

RESULTS OF COUNT OF BALLOTS

For Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor, and Board of Health:				
John L. Burke	206	29	114	349
Giles W. Halladay	113	181	214	508
Charles W. Hull	102	165	206	473
James F. Kirby	305	45	67	417
H. Preston Worden	85	155	205	445
A. R. Kellogg			1	1
Blanks	347	61	42	450
For Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector:				
Henry E. Bodurtha	188	146	217	551
George H. Reed	0	0	3	3
Clarence H. Granger	0	3	1	4
Blanks	198	63	62	323
Assessor for three years:				
John F. McAllister	89	121	109	319
Adolphus Provost	234	73	141	448
Blanks	63	18	33	114

School Committee for three years:				
Charles A. Barden	128	40	102	270
Clifford M. Granger	200	173	189	562
Grace B. Reed	102	145	205	452
Karl W. Birk	0	1	0	1
Fred Petithory	0	1	0	1
John D. Pond	0	0	1	1
Blanks	342	64	69	475
Water Commissioner for three years:				
Walter S. Kerr	224	190	250	664
Harry R. Jones	0	1	0	1
John Daley	0	0	1	1
Blanks	162	21	32	215
Auditor:				
Leafie N. Maynard	213	171	247	631
Doris Shaylor	0	0	1	1
W. H. Seaver	0	0	1	1
P. V. Hastings	0	0	1	1
Blanks	173	41	33	247
Tree Warden:				
Edwin M. Hitchcock	241	179	260	680
Blanks	145	33	23	201
Trustee of Whiting Street Fund for two years:				
Albert H. Brown	207	187	253	647
Blanks	179	25	30	234
Library Trustee for three years:				
Clarence H. Granger	174	160	227	561
Clifford M. Granger	0	1	0	1
Blanks	212	51	56	319
Cemetery Commissioner for three years:				
Robert Ely	127	29	33	189
Frank W. Randall	111	153	228	492
Blanks	148	30	22	200

Constables:

Dwight E. Bailey	71	139	225	435
Moise Bessette	223	32	61	316
Warren C. Bodurtha	95	148	235	478
Joseph J. Brady	94	22	68	184
Major Burnett	135	17	41	193
Daniel O. Cesan	83	149	181	413
Henry E. Channell	62	114	210	386
John R. Daley	143	27	101	271
William De Forge	210	37	44	291
Earle E. Dickinson	57	147	183	387
Walter Goss	79	16	110	205
Alvin R. Kellogg	94	170	182	446
Adam Letendre	125	43	20	188
William Martyny	112	28	45	185
Ralph D. Pond	75	104	207	386
Melvin H. Ransom	174	160	193	527
Thomas Daley	151	23	35	209
Arthur H. Rowley	72	107	209	388
Winfield S. Safford	67	80	35	182
Charles H. Wyman	89	169	189	447
Frankie Campbell	0	0	1	1
Blanks	1649	388	255	2308

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 3, 1926

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Result of ballot:

Whole number of votes cast	72
Clarence H. Granger (elected) received	70

Article 2. To choose two or more Fence Viewers, and two or more Field Drivers.

Charles F. Barden and Thomas A. Kerr were elected Fence Viewers. William S. Halladay and Frankie H. Campbell were elected Field Drivers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

Voted: To accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed, typographical errors and omissions excepted.

Article 4. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Voted: That the care of the Poor be left in the hands of the Overseers of the Poor.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of "Memorial Day" and provide for its expenditure.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the "Observance of Memorial Day" to be expended by the Sons of Veterans and the American Legion.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the payment of a proper charge of an Insurance Company for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars for the proper charge of an Insurance Company for acting as surety on the official bond of Town Officers.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for liability insurance of its employees.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars.

Article 8. To see if the town will make any change in its laws authorizing the election of selectmen for a term of three years.

No action taken.

Article 9. To see if the Town will appoint a committee of three or more members to make a thorough investigation of the sanitary equipment of the Feeding Hills School Building, appropriate a sum of money, if necessary, to engage an expert and instruct said committee to report their findings with recommendations in regard to the same at a special town meeting.

Voted: That a committee of three, consisting of one member of the School Committee from each precinct of the town be appointed by the Moderator, as a committee to investigate the sanitary equipment of the Feeding Hills School Building, and that the sum of two hundred dollars be and hereby is appropriated for their use in having an expert if necessary; and that a detailed report with recommendations be made at a future town meeting.

J. A. Roy, Arthur Rudman, S. F. Atwood appointed.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars ($400.00) to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, to be expended for the Agricultural and

Home Economics Extension Service in this County and Town, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars ($400.00) to be expended for Agriculture and Home Economics extension service in this County and Town, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 11. To see if the Town will authorize the numbering of houses upon any of the streets of the Town, and make an appropriation for the same.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars for street numbering.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to change its By-Laws relative to the holding of its Annual Town Meeting.

Voted: That we do charge the By-Laws of the Town relative to the holding of the Annual Town Meeting, so that hereafter it shall be held on the Saturday following the annual election, at one o'clock P. M.

Article 13. To see if the Town will repair Church Street, and construct a permanent roadway, and to appropriate money therefor.

Voted: Referred to the Selectmen for action under general highway appropriation.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to macadamize Maple and Bridge Streets and appropriate money therefor.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 15. To see if the Town will accept all or any part of Kensington Street as a public street.

Voted: To leave in the hands of the Selectmen, with power to act.

Article 16. To see if the Town will make an appropriation for the use of the Water Commissioners to extend the water system on any of the streets of the Town.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five thousand ($5000.00) dollars, to be taken from the water receipts of 1925, said sum to be used in whole or in part by the Water Commissioners to extend or rebuild the water system on any of the streets of the Town.

Article 17. To see if the Town will indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused or result from the laying out, construction or reconstruction of any state highway in Agawam and will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town, or take any action thereto; and to appropriate any sum of money towards the expense and damage thereof.

Voted: To leave the whole matter in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 18. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of three hundred ($300.00) dollars to pay for the land taken in 1925 for the reconstruction of Main Street.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of three hundred dollars, to pay for land taken for reconstruction of Main Street in 1925.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money to build a sidewalk on the Agawam Bridge.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropiate any sum of money to be used for the setting of curbing or the building of sidewalks on any of the streets of the Town.

No action taken.

Article 21. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow during the current municipal year, beginning January 1, 1926, in anticipation of

the revenue of said year such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town.

Voted: That the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of municipal year beginning January 1, 1926, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of the tax levy of 1925, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable in one year; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Article 22. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the care of North Cemetery.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for the care of North Cemetery.

Article 23. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to study the sewer situation of the Town, especially as to the needs of the new developments, and report at a later meeting.

Voted: That a committee of three be appointed by the Moderator to study the sewer situation of the Town and report at a future meeting.

Appointed: Elmer F. Bodurtha, Charles W. Brown, John F. McAllister.

Adjournment was taken until Monday, March 8th, 1926, at one o'clock P. M. at this place.

HENRY E. BODURTHA, Town Clerk.

MONDAY, MARCH 8, 1926

Meeting called to order by Moderator Clarence H. Granger at 1 o'clock P. M.

Article 24. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $15,000.00, provided the State and County will each appropriate a like sum for rebuilding Meadow Street with stone, block, brick or other permanent pavement of similar lasting character,

and provide for raising the money by the issue of bonds, or otherwise, or take any action relating thereto.

All motions under this Article were lost.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to macadamize School Street and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: That the Town appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the purpose of rebuilding School Street with stone, block, brick or other permanent pavement of similar lasting character.

Of this said sum, three thousand dollars shall be raised by taxation during the current municipal year, and that in order to raise the remaining twelve thousand dollars, the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and is hereby authorized to issue notes or bonds of the Town to an amount not exceeding twelve thousand dollars; under authority of the General Laws and amendments thereto, so that the whole sum shall be paid in not more than ten years from the issue of the first note or bond, or at such earlier date as the Treasurer and Selectmen may determine, provided that the County and State will each appropriate a similar sum. (Unanimous vote.)

Article 26. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year.

Voted: The following necessary appropriations.

Schools	$121,000.00
Highways and Bridges	20,000.00
Care of Poor	5,000.00
Town Office	5,000.00
Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector	2,500.00
Street Lights	8,700.00
Town Buildings	2,000.00
Health Department	2,200.00
Fire Department	3,000.00
Assessors	2,200.00
Forestry	900.00
Contingencies	600.00

Libraries	300.00
State Aid	100.00
Police	3,500.00
Interest	27,000.00
Town Debt	47,000.00

Appropriations under previous articles:

Memorial Day	150.00
Surety Bonds	300.00
Liability Insurance	400.00
County Aid to Agriculture	400.00
Committee on Sanitaries	200.00
Taking of land	300.00
North Cemetery	50.00
House numbering	100.00
School Street (conditionally)	3,000.00
	$255,900.00

Article 27. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: That the Selectmen be instructed to lay out or relocate Maple Street or in their discretion to petition the County Commissioners so to do.

Voted: That a Committee of two from each precinct be appointed to investigate the possibility of securing additional land in the vicinity of the High School for a High School Athletic Field, this committee to report findings at a subsequent meeting of the Town.

Committee appointed: Clifford M. Granger, Percival V. Hastings, Clark B. Jones, William D. Rising, J. Leo Roy, Ralph Snell.

The Selectmen, on a committee appointed to prepare building laws for the Town reported and moved: That the building laws as presented for adoption a few years ago by a Committee consisting of J. A. Roy, E. A. Kellogg, Paul B. Johnson and F. A. Worthington, be now adopted by the Town as a nucleus for building laws for the Town of Agawam.

Voted: That action be referred to some future Town Meeting.

Finance Committee appointed for the year: Henry E. Bodurtha, John R. Lloyd, Daniel J. Collins, James H. Clark, Alvin R. Kellogg.

Voted: To adjourn.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

APRIL 16, 1926

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence M. Granger was elected.

Article 2. To see if the Town will indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out, alteration or reconstruction of the State Highway or section of the State Highway on Main Street in Agawam, and will authorize the Board of Selectmen to sign indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town, or take any action in respect thereto.

Voted: That the Town will indemnify the Commonwealth of Massachusetts against any and all claims for land, grade and drainage damages which may be caused by or result from the laying out, alteration, or reconstruction of State Highway, or section of State Highway on Main Street in Agawam, and that the Selectmen be authorized to sign an indemnity agreement therefor in behalf of the Town indemnifying the Commonwealth as aforesaid.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to rebuild any street in Town with stone, block, brick or other permanent pavement of similar lasting character and provide for raising the money by the issue of bonds or otherwise, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: That the Town appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the rebuilding of Maple and Bridge Streets with stone, block, brick or other permanent pavement of similar lasting character, provided the County of Hampden will appropriate a like amount for said streets; of which amount the sum of five thousand dollars shall be raised by taxation during the current municipal year, and that in order to raise the remaining ten thousand dollars, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen be and is hereby authorized to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars; under authority of the General Laws and amendments thereto, so that the whole sum shall be paid in not more than two years from the date of the issue of the first bond or note, or at such earlier time as the Treasurer and Selectmen may determine. 238 voting in the affirmative and 29 in the negative.

Voted: That the Selectmen wait upon the State Highway Commission and ask for aid in the work.

Article 4. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: To adjourn.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

JUNE 25, 1926

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence M. Granger was elected.

Article 2. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to pay for land taken in 1926 for the reconstruction of Main Street.

Voted: That the sum of one thousand dollars be and hereby is appropriated to pay for land taken in 1926 for the reconstruction of Main Street, said sum to be taken from the excess and deficiency fund.

Article 3. To see if the Town will purchase or take land from E. M. Hitchcock, E. A. Randall, and F. G. Lee, for the purpose of adding to the High School Play Ground; make an appropriation for the same or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: That the Selectmen be instructed to purchase or take in behalf of the Town for playground purposes, three tracts of land located southwest of the present High School property, and adjoining the same.

Article 4. To see if the Town will accept a report of a special committee appointed at the last annual Town Meeting, authorize their recommendations regarding the reconstruction of the sewerage system at the Feeding Hills School, appropriate money for the same, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: That the sum of eighty five hundred ($8,500.00) dollars be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of installing new sanitary arrangements at the Feeding Hills School Building; together with a sewerage disposal system, and that the committee appointed at the last annual Town Meeting to investigate the conditions at said school, be and are hereby authorized to expend said sum in accordance with the recommendations herewith reported; said sum to be taken from excess and deficiency fund.

Article 5. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: To adjourn.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
Town Clerk

State Election

NOVEMBER 2, 1926

Precinct	A	B	C	Total
Number of ballots cast	382	316	510	1208
Governor:				
Alvan T. Fuller	135	252	385	772
William A. Gaston	220	55	119	394
Walter S. Hutchins	2	1	1	4
Samuel Leger	3	0	1	4
Lewis Marks	3	1	0	4
Blanks	19	7	4	30
Lieutenant Governor:				
Frank G. Allen	129	242	391	762
Daniel T. Blessington	1	2	0	3
Albert Oddie	4	1	4	9
Dennis F. Reagan	3	2	0	5
Edmond P. Talbot	209	65	103	377
Blanks	36	6	10	52
Secretary:				
Harry J. Canter	10	9	6	25
Frank W. Cavanaugh	195	59	92	346
Frederick W. Cook	128	235	393	756
Stephen S. Surridge	2	1	1	4
Edith M. Williams	2	3	1	6
Blanks	45	9	17	71
Treasurer:				
Albert S. Coolidge	7	2	3	12
Winfield A. Dwyer	8	5	6	19

Daniel England	193	66	99	358
Henry Hess	2	1	0	3
William S. Youngman	123	224	383	730
Blanks	49	18	19	86
Auditor:				
Leon Arkin	3	2	2	7
Strabo V. Claggett	187	60	100	347
Alonzo B. Cook	124	230	379	733
Emma P. Hutchins	11	2	4	17
John R. MacKinnon	3	1	5	9
Blanks	54	21	20	95
Attorney General:				
Isadore Harris	4	3	5	12
Max Lerner	3	5	5	13
Arthur K. Reading	126	224	380	730
John W. Sherman	5	3	2	10
John E. Swift	185	63	98	346
Blanks	57	20	20	97
Senator in Congress:				
John J. Ballam	5	2	2	9
William M. Butler	99	221	367	687
Washington Cook	3	5	7	15
Alfred B. Lewis	1	1	1	3
David I. Walsh	259	79	128	466
Blanks	15	8	5	28
Congressman:				
Henry L. Bowles	128	229	387	744
John Hall	228	77	108	413
Blanks	26	10	15	51
Councillor:				
Francis W. Aldrich	208	258	438	904
Blanks	174	58	72	304
Senator:				
Frederick E. Judd	197	252	432	881
Dexter A. Snow	1	0	0	1
Blanks	184	64	78	326

Representatives in General Court:				
Frank T. Raleigh	184	67	106	357
Frank O. Scott	167	225	376	768
William J. Sessions	88	155	297	540
Blanks	325	185	241	751
County Commissioner:				
John G. Maxfield	116	226	391	733
Edward J. Stapleton	219	68	92	379
Blanks	47	22	27	96
Associate Commissioners:				
Charles W. Bray	134	188	365	687
Clarence H. Granger	220	229	420	869
Blanks	410	215	235	860
District Attorney:				
Charles R. Clason	102	230	368	700
William J. Granfield	266	72	129	467
Blanks	14	14	13	41
Sheriff:				
Embury P. Clark	220	267	455	942
Blanks	162	49	55	266
Clerk of Courts:				
Charles M. Calhoun	248	250	442	940
James F. Healey	1	0	0	1
Blanks	133	66	68	267

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden ss: West Springfield, Nov. 12th, 1926.

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the several towns representing the SECOND HAMPDEN REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT, the votes of the several towns were canvassed as follows:

	Frank Raleigh	Frank O. Scott	Wm. J. Sessions	Blanks	Totals
Agawam	357	768	540	751	2416
Blandford	8	107	90	49	254
Chester	63	177	144	170	554

E. Longmeadow	110	434	443	337	1324
Granville	21	163	129	121	434
Hampden	47	113	198	132	490
Longmeadow	181	1031	781	619	2612
Montgomery	8	30	25	19	82
Russell	67	251	195	207	720
Southwick	33	202	162	99	496
Tolland	4	22	21	7	54
W. Springfield	1639	2606	1737	2070	8052
Wilbraham	101	240	239	218	798
Totals	2639	6144	4704	4799	18286

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
Town Clerk of Agawam.

FRANCES E. SHEPARD,
Town Clerk of Blandford.

JOHN E. COONEY,
Town Clerk of Chester.

R. A. DENSLOW,
Town Clerk of East Longmeadow.

S. B. ROOT,
Town Clerk of Granville.

C. I. BURLEIGH,
Town Clerk of Hampden.

FRANK E. SMITH,
Town Clerk of Longmeadow.

W. D. ALLYN,
Town Clerk of Montgomery.

E. D. PARKS,
Town Clerk of Russell.

JENNIE L. McAULIFFE,
Town Clerk of Southwick.

E. M. MOORE,
Town Clerk of Tolland.

HENRY E. SCHMUCK,
Town Clerk of West Springfield.

JEAN T. ABBOTT,
Town Clerk of Wilbraham.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1926

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Jan. 4	Leslie Joseph Moore	Leslie and Julia Pitter
Jan. 5	Luiggi Lucci	Giuseppi and Lezzy Fanella
Jan. 5	June S. La Fleche	Lawrence J. and Ruby B. La Bonte
Jan. 12	Wilbur H. Rich	Howard W. and Lina M. Hubbard
Jan. 19	Joseph Guidi, Jr.	Joseph and Pauline Pinbeni
Jan. 22	Everett E. Brown	Charles W. and Sarah E. Taylor
Jan. 24	Ruth M. Spear	Arthur L. and Myrtle I. Austin
Jan. 24	Donald P. Curran	Pat. J. and Elizabeth V. MacDonald
Jan. 30	Daniel T. Cleary	Daniel T. and Olive McRae
Feb. 10	Helen Meyers	Frank and Elizabeth Carr
Feb. 15	Dorothy E. Morris	Joseph F. and Jennie Rose
Feb. 15	Roy Bava	James and Martha Bailey
Feb. 18	Alice Levesque	Ernest and Laura Moreau
Feb. 20	Patricia M. Brooks	Earl L. and Elsie M. Moore
Feb. 21	Edwin Wendall Goss	Walter C. and Irene C. Baker
Feb. 25	Marjorie A. Burke	John L. and Ruth H. Ewing
Feb. 27	Rodolfo F. A. Penerich	Filippo and Luisa Mutti
Mch. 1	Josephine Assid	Michael and Elizabeth Saikas
Mch. 5	Thelma E. MacDonald	John H. and Phyllis M. Hogan
Mch 6	Frank E. Dean	John H. and Eva M. Deforge
Mch. 14	Robert Rivers	Levi and Amelia La Montague
Mch. 14	Earl Rivers	Levi and Amelia La Montague
Mch. 16	Arnold P. Tarnuzzer	Paul and Ernestine Aumuller
Mch. 17	Leon J. DeLaurier	Leon S. and Angie Robitaille
Mch. 22	Louise Irene Letendre	Sylvio and Irene Ducharme
Mch. 23	Robert H. Wells	Cecil and Anna M. Coates
Mch. 24	Louis De Palma	Louis and Louise Casiello
Mch. 30	Irene A. Letendre	Adelard and Alice Letendre
Apr. 2	Margaret L. Perusse	Francis and Lillian Racine
Apr. 2	———— Castapoulos	Cleon and Florida Chamberland
Apr. 8	Vincenso I. Trenchini	Vincenso and Tereza Marinuci
Apr. 17	Irene G. Christopher	Henry and Delia Guidi
Apr. 21	Mabel La Fleur	Louis and Mabel Hodgson
Apr. 24	Gerald E. Spear	Harrison G. and Ida G. Holcomb
Apr. 26	Gertrude H. Babcock	Timothy A. and Gertrude L. Landry
Apr. 28	Raymond R. Chyba	William and Mary Vandenburg
Apr. 30	Annie Norman	Peter P. and Marie M. Daboul
May 4	Hugh Kerr	James and Lora Fuller
May 4	Barbara R. Myers	William F. and Bertha A. O'Brien
May 5	Muriel I. Soden	Edward W. and Anna G. Barden
May 8	Pearl A. Fournier	Theophile A. and Beatrice Gallup
May 9	June Schwartz	John M. and Doris G. Fletcher
May 9	Russell A. Blair	George C. and Belle M. Muller

May	14	Louise E. Harrison	William E. and Etta Strong
May	18	Jean M. Geoffrion	George and Eva May Rogers
May	24	Marjorie B. Helfrich	Warren and Rachel E. Letellier
May	29	Merle Harriet Fanrsworth	Riley S. and Cora E. McIntire
May	29	Ardys Caroline Farnsworth	Riley S. and Cora E. McIntire
June	11	Salvio Betti	Cesare and Irma Corti
June	13	Raymond Garcia	Angelo and Elizabeth Mercadante
June	15	Raymond E. Cooley	Maro H. and Ethel M. Giles
June	16	Harry R. Richards	Clarence W. and Irene L. Willett
June	18	Henry J. Fortier, Jr.	Henry J. and Eva M. St. Amnand
June	21	Charles E. Copson	Ernest H. and Mabel V. Howard
June	30	Norma V. Betti	Louis and Mary Grucci
July	2	Shirley P. Willnauer	Paul P. and Isola C. Poirier
July	3	Frank W. Jenks	Prentiss R. and Martha Stebbins
July	4	———— Sadak	James and Jennie Solomon
July	6	Gloria Buoniconti	Joseph and Pasqualina Rhinone
July	6	Wallace E. Malley	John E. and Francis M. Cross
July	11	Gloria A. Caruso	Augostino and Adele Deloghia
July	11	Donald Neill	Thomas and Mary Singleton
July	15	Charles R. Fassett	George M. and Mary J. Saulnier
July	19	George W. Colson	Robert J. and Meita M. McEwan
July	19	Marian M. Huden	Vincent and Catherine Beers
July	21	Chestloff Forman	Joseph and Annie Ratkowcz
July	25	Giles A. Daigneau	Edward A. and Maude Bourdo
July	26	Guy H. Messenger	Guy H. and Edna May Suthergreen
Aug.	3	Frederick L. Hale	Leon A. and Hilda Geer
Aug.	3	———— La Violette	Albert R. and Elizabeth Gleisellini
Aug.	3	Henry Drewnoski	William and Theodora Kamieuska
Aug.	9	———— Keeley	Thomas and Catherine Mullins
Aug.	9	Michael R. Morassi	John and Rose Cristy
Aug.	10		Emile and Albina Marceau
Aug.	11	Louis D. Dragetti	Frank and Mary Cascella
Aug.	11	Anne Fournier	Alfred L. and Anna Juke
Aug.	16	Anna Graziano	Luigi and Giovannina Trangono
Aug.	16	———— Letendre	Adam E. and Edna Dumont
Aug.	19	John Devine	Maurice P. and Katherine F. Poggi
Aug.	21	William J. Minor	Francis H. and Beatrice E. Godin
Aug.	29	Harold J. Hastings	Philip W. and Vivian P. Hastings
Sept.	4	Barbara D. Lindeman	George B. and Dorothy Day
Sept.	5	Laurence W. Duclos	Laurence L. and Rhea M. Reilly
Sept.	11	Florence M. Conkey	James O. and Florence Talmadge
Sept.	15	Glenroy K. Scott	Lester C. and Izena E. Murray
Sept.	19	Alice Deforge	Jasper P. and Catherine M. Connor
Sept.	19	———— Thibeault	Ernest and Louise M. Dalmarr
Sept.	20	Raymond L. Trabold	Walter and Myrtle Young
Sept.	20	———— Gagnon	Joseph and Emily Losier
Oct.	3	———— Holloway	Louis E. and Annie L. A. Briggs
Oct.	3	Marion L. Jasmin	Henry F. and Blanche Lemkie
Oct.	6	Richard L. Bennett	Leonard W. and Flora Leroy
Oct.	7	Alfred S. Daudelin	Paul and Ida Rosella Gosselin
Oct.	8	Hazel A. Wilcox	George O. and Charlotte A. Beckwith
Oct.	13	Loren H. Clark	Maurice E. and Dorothy L. Tarbox

Oct.	14	Vera M. McCave	Herbert W. and Doris K. Crowe
Oct.	19	———— Grady	Joseph and Jeanette Roberts
Oct.	21	Juniata Geoffrion	Harvey H. and Violet Miller
Oct.	22	Ralph L. Barker	Ralph L. and Beatrice Barr
Oct.	26	William C. Campion	Percy C. and Caroline L. Twine
Oct.	31	Dorothy M. Guyotte	Melville and Ermine Crepass
Nov.	4	Phyllis J. Barden	Edwin S. and Gladys V. Perkins
Nov.	6	Betty Jane Smith	Harmon A. and Evelyn E. Door
Nov.	6	Ward Smith	Harmon A. and Evelyn E. Door
Nov.	7	Charles N. Center	Benjamin R. and Elsie Northrop
Nov.	12	Rita Udore Labonte	Raymond J. and Rose H. Fazio
Nov.	17	Yolanda Grasso	Anthony J. and Rose Fazio
Nov.	18	Homer F. Hanscom, Jr.	Homer F. and Winifred K. Blair
Nov.	18	Edward M. Deloghia	Mario and Freda Twine
Dec.	8	Theodora Lossito	Giacinto and Teresa Giannina
Dec.	8	Frederick J. Ostrowski	Joseph T. and Estella A. Neadzalski
Dec.	9	Vanda P. Chemielski	Michael and Julia Bachiel
Dec.	11	Mario Delucchi	Joseph and Pauline Riccio
Dec.	13	Robert A. Ardizoni	Joseph J. and Catherine D. Sullivan
Dec.	14	Ernest H. Schaedlick	Albert A. and Edith M. White
Dec.	16	Donald R. Catchepaugh	Ernest L. and Gladys Reed
Dec.	19	Wilbur G. Beauchane	Edward J. and Irene B. Godin
Dec.	19	Henry C. Earle	Charles W. and Esther M. Withee
Dec.	25	Donald E. Shaw	Harold J. and Mary A. McLeod

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1926

Date and Place of Marriage	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence
January 2	Oreste Lucardi	Agawam
Agawam	Daisy Mary Montagna	Agawam
January 4	Charles Augustus Bagley	Agawam
Agawam	Lauretta K. Bagley	Agawam
January 5	Maurice P. Devine	Springfield
Agawam	Katherine F. Poggi	Agawam
January 9	George B. Lindeman	Hartford, Ct.
Hartford, Ct.	Dorothy Day	Agawam
January 13	Robert F. Sweatland	Agawam
Agawam	Eleanor E. Keough	Springfield
January 30	Fred J. Loncto	Agawam
West Springfield	Bertha P. Lussier	Agawam
February 15	Luigi Lovotti	Agawam
Agawam	Corinne Chandler	Agawam
March 3	Albert G. Aldrich	West Springfield
Agawam	Dorothy E. Warren	Springfield
March 20	Charles L. Clark	Agawam
Greenfield	Nellie F. P. Brown	Springfield
March 27	Clayton L. Fuller	Agawam
Springfield	Helen C. Ripley	South Union, Me.
April 5	George H. Randall	Agawam
West Springfield	Wilhelmina M. Black	West Springfield
April 6	John J. Granfield	Springfield
Agawam	Pauline L. Cebrelli	Agawam
April 8	Henry H. Balboni	Somerville
Springfield	Norma V. Balboni	Agawam
April 29	Mario J. Deloghia	Agawam
West Springfield	Freida Twine	Agawam
May 1	Vincenzo De Leo	Agawam
West Springfield	Carmela Albanese	West Springfield
May 4	Frank S. Noble	Agawam
Agawam	Lillian A. Menard	Agawam
May 6	Henry E. Calabrese	Agawam
Springfield	Etta V. Tatro	Agawam
May 19	Kenneth G. Struthers	Canada
Agawam	Agnes L. Baker	Agawam
May 22	Leonard A. Johnson	Agawam
Springfield	Nelrose B. Pronk	Springfield
May 22	Diego M. Montagna	Agawam
Agawam	Letizia Gandini	Agawam
May 29	Charles H. MacArthur, Jr.	Springfield
Agawam	Alpha C. Simmons	Springfield

Date and Place of Marriage	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence
May 31	Ernest R. Duclos	Agawam
Springfield	Leona M. Lalancette	Springfield
May 31	Melville J. Hottin	Agawam
Palmer	Celia Cadieuz	Palmer
June 2	Elton A. Parent	Agawam
Springfield	Henrietta P. Patterson	Agawam
June 5	John Buonainto	New York, N. Y.
Springfield	Sabitina Pisano	Agawam
June 7	John W. Manning	Springfield
West Springfield	Mary H. Travers	Agawam
June 10	Raymond J. Hamilton	Agawam
Florence	Rose Mengis	Agawam
June 26	George F. Clark	Springfield
Springfield	Harriet E. W. Allen	Agawam
June 30	Willard J. McCann	West Springfield
Springfield	Mary A. Houlihan	Agawam
July 2	Edwin E. Colson	Agawam
Brattleboro, Vt.	Alice M. Goodnow	Athol
July 7	Albert Z. Breen	Agawam
West Springfield	Catherine E. Deasy	Agawam
July 21	Powell McRae Temples	Statesboro, Ga.
Agawam	Elvy C. Gustafson	Agawam
July 22	Dominick Bianchi	Springfield
Springfield	Florence Giordano	Agawam
July 24	Herbert F. Bamfoth	Richmond Hill, L. I.
Agawam	Jenevieve F. Shaughnessy	Agawam
July 24	James E. Snell	Agawam
South Hadley	Alice A. Lyman	South Hadley
July 27	John Castellini	Springfield
Agawam	Laura J. Poggi	Agawam
July 28	George Gillan, Jr.	Agawam
Springfield	Gladys Z. A. Case	Springfield
August 1	Raymond J. Labonte	Agawam
Springfield	Rose H. Fazio	Agawam
August 2	John Peterson	East Longmeadow
Agawam	Anna Schadlick	Agawam
August 2	Francois Viens	Springfield
Agawam	Rosanna Le Cour	Agawam
August 7	Orrell C. Curtiss	Agawam
Agawam	Alice M. Burgess	Agawam
August 22	Clifford O. Grant	Springfield
Agawam	Beatrice A. Rollins	Springfield
August 25	Robert F. Williams	Agawam
Haverhill	Violet V. Hill	Haverhill
August 28	Ashley R. Cooley	Agawam
Manchester, Ct.	Edna M. Stacy	West Springfield
September 6	Aloysius W. Corriveau	Agawam
Agawam	Stella B. Paro	Agawam
September 8	Fernando Balboni	Agawam
West Springfield	Ann Chiarini	West Springfield

Date and Place of Marriage	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence
September 11	Joseph R. Oppedisano	Springfield
Springfield	Rosino T. Circosta	Agawam
September 14	William Miller	Agawam
Springfield	Bolice Vismont	West Springfield
September 20	Raymond J. Dumond	Agawam
Springfield	Mary McDonagh	Springfield
September 21	Curtis G. Arnold	Agawam
Springfield	Henrietta I. Robertson	Springfield
September 21	Oscar W. Jolly	Agawam
Agawam	Phyllis Goodro	Springfield
September 30	Pasquale Corroto	Pittsfield
Agawam	Bambina C. Cortese	Agawam
October 2	John Kogel	Agawam
Springfield	Theresa Wentzel	Agawam
October 2	Henry J. Anderson	Agawam
Agawam	Eva C. Gustafson	Agawam
October 9	Ettore Borgatti	Agawam
Springfield	Mary Rosso	Springfield
October 11	Frank J. Dempsey	Westfield
Westfield	Sarah M. Williams	Agawam
October 12	Alvah Pearsall	Agawam
Agawam	Lydia J. Menard	Agawam
October 12	Vittorio Fusini	Springfield
Agawam	Amabile Baiardi	Agawam
October 16	Oscar J. Lesiege	West Springfield
Agawam	Lina H. Senecal	Agawam
October 28	Robert Marotto	Southington, Ct.
Springfield	Camilla Calabrese	Agawam
November 13	Michael J. O'Connell	New York, N. Y.
Springfield	Mary D. Buoniconti	Agawam
November 22	Arselio Rovelli	Agawam
Agawam	Virginia Lovotti	Agawam
November 25	Theodore Di Lullo	Agawam
Springfield	Virginia Grimaldi	Agawam

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1926

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age y	m	d	Cause of Death
Jan. 2	Victor Cleveland	73	1	22	Broncho Pneumonia
Jan. 3	Ella Klatte	72	0	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Jan. 6	Horace D. Blaisdell	83	1	3	Hypertrophic Cirrhosis
Jan. 15	Elnor F. Grout	73	3	28	Cardiac Dilation
Jan. 25	Patrick Fahey	50	0	0	Fracture of skull
Jan. 26	Ellen P. Ripley	85	2	6	Arterio Sclerosis
Jan. 28	Pietro David	51	0	0	Lobar Pneumonia
Jan. 29	Amelia C. Hill	52	3	14	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Feb. 2	Yolando Grasso	17	0	0	Gun shot wound
Feb. 8	Harriet F. Kellogg	82	3	4	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Feb. 10	Edwin Leonard	89	9	21	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Feb. 17	Herman J. Cordes	62	9	21	Skull fractured
Feb. 18	Warren L. Robinson	66	7	16	Angina Pectoris
Feb. 20	Frances V. Blair	59	4	17	Chronic Bronchitis
Feb. 20	Eugenia E. Cady	0	10	29	Measles
Mch. 8	Gerardo Buoniconti	1	6	0	Measles
Mch. 12	Mary W. Jasmin	38	10	9	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mch. 15	Tomasso Grimaldi	0	5	14	Status Lymphaticus
Mch. 19	Josephine C. Specos	61	0	13	Aortic Regnigitation
Mch. 23	Fred J. Dudley	67	0	0	Lobar Pneumonia
Mch. 25	Edward Nadeau	24	5	25	Septicemia
Mch. 28	Malvina J. Grady	30	9	21	Intestinal obstruction
Mch. 31	Anna L. Keeley	75	0	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Apr. 5	Edwin Goss	73	9	11	Lobar Pneumonia
Apr. 6	Margaret B. Cordes	64	6	12	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Apr. 8	Bernard F. De Forge	1	3	28	Capillary Bronchitis
Apr. 9	Frederick Fruwirth	49	0	0	Carcinoma of Oesophagus
Apr. 13	Angenette L. Demond	83	1	11	Intracranial Hemorrhage
Apr. 21	Julia A. Harris	77	5	26	Lobar Pneumonia
Apr. 21	Augustin Morin	87	1	3	Myocarditis
Apr. 26	Viola Bongiovanni	0	6	5	Capillary Bronchitis
Apr. 28	Domenico Ferioli	76	0	0	Cerebral Congestion
May 1	Alice M. Manley	49	11	26	Carcinoma of Liver
May 3	Agnes B. Hunt	66	5	20	Lobar Pneumonia
May 4	Mary L. Todd	77	1	0	Chronic Myocarditis
May 8	Achsah A. Beach	87	9	16	Bronchial Pneumonia
May 18	Margaret Lapardo	1	1	21	Broncho Pneumonia
May 25	Martha L. Worden	85	0	3	Chronic Nephritis
May 28	Charles Stevens	81	6	17	Cerebral Apoplexy
June 2	Laura A. Campbell	56	11	7	Mechanical Ilius
June 6	R. Mather Taylor	68	9	28	Lobar Pneumonia
June 9	Eseo Danieli	46	4	7	Tuberculosis
June 11	Antonio Scanapieco	19	0	0	Fracture of skull

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age y	m	d	Cause of Death
June 15	Mary D. White	78	0	16	Acute Nephritis
June 18	Isabel MacIvor	1	4	12	Infantile Convulsions
June 24	Omer Lussier	17	10	29	Asphyxia by drowning
June 24	Emma H. Heger	42	0	0	Massive Pneumonia
July 3	Rosanna Garreau	46	10	9	Carcinoma of Uterus
July 5	Margaret K. Kyle	40	1	24	Pulmonary Tuberculosis
July 6	Patrick J. Donovan	57	0	0	Fracture of skull
July 7	Delia M. Estes	74	5	2	Angina Pectoris
July 9	Yvon Lepage	11	0	0	Tetanus
July 13	Ernest Kuenzel	38	0	0	Gastric Carcinoma
July 17	Henry Langlois	30	1	27	Fracture of skull
July 18	Marianno Grasso	44	0	0	Lobar Pneumonia
July 18	Mary L. Smith	85	3	16	Carcinoma of rectum
July 19	Augusta Mascuk	11	10	2	Myocarditis
July 22	Michael J. Carroll	61	0	0	Pernicious Anemia
July 24	Julia E. Huntley	64	6	26	Epilepsy
July 26	Charles Bassett	0	0	12	Hemorrhage
July 27	George F. Clark	78	7	1	Papilloma of bladder
Aug. 1	Joseph Heger	47	11	29	Influenza
Aug. 6	Burt A. Kelsey	51	7	24	Acute dilation of heart
Aug. 8	Adolphe Giroux	74	0	0	Chronic Myocarditis
Aug. 22	Clinton B. Twining	66	5	14	Acute enteritis
Aug. 22	Elnora Dickinson	70	4	27	Carcinoma of oesophagus
Aug. 25	Adolf Satkowski	68	0	0	Chronic Nephritis
Sept. 3	Anna Norman	0	4	4	Acute Mengitis
Sept. 21	Julia E. Lloyd	38	2	7	Carcinoma
Sept. 22	Wilfred Parent	53	11	30	Cerebral Apoplexy
Sept. 24	Charles L. Thrasher	53	8	30	Chronic Endocarditis
Sept. 27	Josephine Jones	77	6	8	Cerebral Embolism
Sept. 29	Josephine Nicypher	50	0	0	Mitral Stenosis
Oct. 14	Giovanni Lepore	59	0	0	Lobar Pneumonia
Oct. 19	John A. Donovan	58	0	0	Chronic Nephritis
Oct. 21	Marguerite W. Lane	58	8	18	Carcinoma of Uterus
Nov. 4	Timothy Scannell	68	0	0	Myocardial Insufficiency
Nov. 6	Ward Smith	0	0	¼	Tranma
Nov. 17	Hattie M. Allen	57	4	18	Hepatic cancer
Nov. 17	Robert Crosier	0	11	19	Bronchial Pneumonia
Nov. 30	James W. Fisk	61	7	29	Angina Pectoris
Dec. 3	Mariano Cicorelli	38	0	0	Automobile accident
Dec. 8	Sadie R. Moffatt	67	0	0	Carcinoma of face
Dec. 21	George L. Le Bonte	56	10	13	Acute Cardiac Insufficiency
Dec. 27	Mary G. Bagley	66	0	0	Cancer of Sigmoid
Dec. 27	Grace E. Decker	15	10	16	Acute Myocarditis
Dec. 31	John Grasso	16	0	0	Cerebro Spinal Meningitis

Statistical Report

Births recorded	125
Marriages recorded	63
Deaths recorded	95
Mortgages recorded	31
Others recorded	9
Dogs licensed	601
Sporting licenses issued	412
Marriage licenses issued	59

HENRY E. BODURTHA
Town Clerk

Digest of State Auditor's Report

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell,
Director of Accounts,
Department of Corporations and Taxation,
State House, Boston.

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Agawam for the period from January 1, 1925, to March 5, 1926, and submit the following report thereon:—

The financial transactions of the town, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and verified.

The books and accounts of the treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were checked with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury. The payments were checked with the orders of the selectmen authorizing the disbursement of town funds. The cash book was footed throughout for the period covered by the audit, the cash on hard was verified by an actual count, and the bank accounts were reconciled with the statements furnished by the banks.

It was found that the treasurer, acting in accordance with a vote of the town, had invested the surplus war bonus by the purchase of securities. As there is no authority for investing this money (amounting to $2,701.14) in securities, the securities should be disposed of and the money turned back into the general cash.

The surety bond of the treasurer was found to be in the form of a continuation certificate and contained a provision that any recovery should be limited to the penal amount of the original bond. This form of bond does not, in my opinion, prop-

erly protect the town and I would recommend that a new bond be secured annually.

The warrants for the commitments of taxes for the years 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, 1923, 1924 and 1925 were verified. The collections were checked with the treasurer's cash book, the outstanding accounts were listed, and the abatements were checked to the assessors' records of abatements granted. The outstanding accounts were further verified by mailing 300 notices to persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town. Several persons returned notices claiming payment, but only two produced receipts or other evidence of payment. The collections shown by the receipts presented, namely, $4.30 on 1921 and $3.56 on 1922 taxes, were charged the collector. With these exceptions, I am satisfied that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

Since the Water Department was established in 1906, the town has raised in the tax levies and advanced $134,933.13 to pay water debt and interest, in addition to which $2,000 was appropriated for construction in 1925. At the expiration of twenty years the department should be on a paying basis, and it is recommended that water debt and interest be paid from water income, as provided by Chapter 353 of the Acts of 1905.

While the town has been raising money to meet debt and interest payments, income of the department has accrued until it amounted to $20,437.18 on December 31, 1925. In the event that additional extensions are to be made, the amount to cover such expense should be transferred from this balance of income; or be borrowed and payments on the debt and the interest made from water income.

The receipts of the town clerk were examined and checked. The records of dog licenses issued were checked with the records of receipts, and the payments to the county were verified. The records of hunting and fishing licenses issued in 1926 were checked with the license book stubs, and the payments to the State Treasurer were verified.

The bond of the town clerk was examined and found to be in proper form.

The securities representing the investments of trust funds were personally examined and checked, the cash was verified by an actual count, and the bank balances were reconciled with statements furnished by the banks. The income was proved and payments from the funds verified. Several of the investments were in securities not legal investments for savings banks, as is required by Section 54, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

In addition to the departments and accounts mentioned, the records of all other departments receiving and disbursing money for the town were examined and verified.

The system as installed provides automatic checks which will furnish the administrative officers with information that should prove helpful in carrying on the work of the respective departments. Citizens may also be furnished with facts relative to the cost of the several functions and activities of the town government.

The several books and forms provided contemplate the systematic classification of accounts by means of grouping all items of receipts and all items of expenditures of a similar nature under what is termed a functional classification; that is, grouping those items that are related, thus allowing the public to see at a glance what each particular service is costing.

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1925

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:		
General	$5,781.44	
Securities	2,700.00	$8,481.44
Due from Water Superintendent		41.61
Due from Town Treasurer		411.50
Accounts Receivable		
Taxes		
Levy of 1920	$ 888.49	
Levy of 1921	1,173.74	
Levy of 1922	3,374.75	
Levy of 1923	12,020.96	
Levy of 1924	35,633.79	
Levy of 1925	93,679.13	
		$146,770.86
General Government Sunday Amusement Licenses		396.00
Protection of Persons and Property		
Police		53.57
Health and Sanitation		
Health	$ 325.00	
Sewer Entrances	71.05	
		$ 396.05

Amount brought forward		$396.05
State Aid		96.00
Schools		212.50
Water Rates		5,503.46
Water Entrances		739.18
Loans Authorized		6,000.00
Overdrawn Accounts		
Overlay of 1919	$ 131.10	
Overlay of 1920	230.83	
Overlay of 1922	112.74	
Overlay of 1923	2,161.57	$ 2,636.24
		$171,738.41

LIABILITIES

Temporary Loans		
In anticipation of revenue		$ 80,000.00
Surplus War Bonus		2,701.14
Appropriation balances:		
North Agawam School		5,711.06
Springfield Street School		2,000.00
Water Maintenance		20,437.18
Water Main Construction		21.29
Town Debt		144.00
Overlay—reserved for abatements:		
Levy of 1921	$ 457.52	
Levy of 1924	4,640.70	
Levy of 1925	1,270.16	
		$ 6,368.38
Departmental Revenue		1,154.12
Water Revenue		6,284.25
Surplus Revenue		46,916.99
		$171,738.41

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	$514,500.00	Highway debt	$ 41,500.00
		Bridge debt	62,000.00
		Sewer debt	18,000.00
		School debt	301,000.00
		Water debt	92,000.00
	$514,500.00		$514,500.00

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds:	
Cash and Securities	
In custody of town treasurer	$14,410.44
In custody of Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company	15,073.25
	$29,483.69
Whiting Street Charity Fund	6,412.34
Desire A. Pyne Charity Fund	2,221.13
Mary Phelan School Fund	4,576.97
Mary Phelan Library Fund	500.00
Davis Library Fund	15,073.25
Old Cemetery Fund	700.00
	$29,483.69

(Signed) EDWARD H. FENTON,
Chief Examiner.

Report of the Accounting Officer

To the Honorable the Board of Selectmen:

The First annual report of the Accounting Department, covering the financial transactions of the Town of Agawam for the year 1926, is herewith submitted:

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE—TAXES

Current Year			
Property		$142,630.47	
Polls		2,506.00	
			$145,136.47
Previous Years			
Property		$ 88,290.14	
Polls		494.00	
			$ 88,784.14
From State			
Corporation		$ 5,968.93	
Bank Tax		229.59	
Income Tax		29,241.20	
			$ 35,439.72

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Licenses	$ 2,388.00	$ 2,388.00

FINES AND FORFEITS

Fines		
Court	$ 944.00	$ 944.00

GRANTS AND GIFTS

From State		
Aid to Industrial Schools	$ 1,195.67	
From County		
Dog Licenses	$ 1,172.40	$ 2,368.07

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Sewers	$ 1,840.84	$ 1,840.84
Privileges		
Public Service	$ 105.56	$ 105.56

DEPARTMENTAL

General Government		
Collector	$ 215.85	$ 215.85
Town Clerk	86.00	86.00
Fire Department	18.00	18.00
Highway	1,112.54	1,112.54
Charities		
From other cities	14.57	14.57
Soldiers' Benefits		
State Aid	96.00	96.00

SCHOOLS

Tuition and Transportation		
of State Wards	$ 292.37	
Other Tuition	435.20	
Miscellaneous	344.00	
		$ 1,071.57

LIBRARIES

Fines	$ 49.59	$ 49.59

UNCLASSIFIED

Rent of land	$ 10.00	$ 10.00

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Income from sale of water	$ 17,215.80	
Miscellaneous	2,140.63	
		$ 19,356.43
All Other		
Rentals, etc.	$ 276.00	$ 276.00

INTEREST

Deposits	$ 249.76	
On Deferred taxes	7,116.78	
Public Trust Funds		
Library	730.09	
Cemetery	32.56	
All Other	220.50	
		$ 8,349.69

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Loans in Anticipation of Revenue	$195,000.00	
Premiums	2.25	
		$195,002.25

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Trust		
Perpetual Care Fund	$ 500.00	$ 500.00

REFUNDS

From General departments	$ 55.88	$ 55.88

Total cash receipts	$503,221.17
Cash on hand January 1, 1926	8,481.44
Total cash and receipts	$511,702.61

RECAPITULATION

Receipts for year 1926 from		
General Revenue	$275,060.40	
Commercial Revenue	4,620.52	
Water Department	19,356.43	
Other Public Service	276.00	
Interest	8,349.69	
Municipal Indebtedness	195,002.25	
Trust and Investment	500.00	
Refunds	55.88	
Cash on hand	8,481.44	
		$511,702.61

PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Legislative			
Moderator	$5.00		
Printing, stationery and postage	6.50	$11.50	$11.50
Executive			
Salaries Selectmen	925.00	925.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	4.64		
Travel	74.74		
All Other	12.07	91.45	1,016.45
Auditing Department			
Town Audit	50.00		
Accounting officer	192.39		242.39
Treasury Department			
Salaries and wages	1,153.30	1,153.30	
Printing, stationery and postage	23.32		
Surety Bond	107.50		
All Other Expense	58.36	179.18	1,342.48
Collector's Department			
Salaries and wages	1,717.32	1,717.32	
Printing, stationery and postage	171.15		
Surety Bond	215.00		
All Other	237.65	623.80	2,341.12
Assessors' Department			
Salaries	2,142.05	2,142.05	
Printing, stationery and postage	17.67		
All Other	57.95	75.62	2,217.67

Law Department			
Salaries	250.00		250.00
Town Clerk			
Salaries and wages	502.38	502.38	
Printing, stationery and postage	15.53		
All Other	23.23	38.76	541.14
Election and Registration Department			
Salaries	516.00	516.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	190.93		
All Other	10.50	201.43	717.43
Town Halls			
Janitors	105.00	105.00	
Light	166.65		
Repairs	242.77		
All Other	20.50	429.92	534.92
Total General Government			$ 9,215.10

PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department			
Salaries and wages	$2,370.20	$2,370.20	
Equipment and repairs	220.34		
Gasoline and oil	223.66		
All Other	193.07	637.07	$3,007.27
Fire Department			
Salaries and wages	1,020.00	1,020.00	
Fuel and light	410.39		
Maintenance Buildings and grounds	173.05		
Equipment Maintenance and repairs	1,517.05		
All Other expense	23.83	2,124.32	3,144.32

Inspection			
Sealer Weights and Measures			
Salary	410.00	410.00	
Teams	29.20		
Equipment	14.10		
Repairs to equipment	.75		
Travel	28.37	72.42	482.42
Forestry			
Insect Pest Extermination			
Salaries and wages	625.81	625.81	
Planting and trimming trees	256.93		
Forest fires	9.00	265.93	891.74
Total protection, persons and property			$7,525.75

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health Department			
General Administration			
Salaries	$150.00	$150.00	
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases			
Board and treatment	571.00		
Medicine and medical attendance	39.00		
Bacteria tests	25.00	635.00	
Tuberculosis			
Board and treatment	42.57		
Hospital Maintenance	1,167.64	1,210.21	
Vital Statistics			
Births	12.25		
Deaths	13.00	25.25	
Other Expenses	37.60	37.60	$2,058.06
Inspection			
Inspection of school children	1,998.45		
Inspection of animals	197.00		
Inspection of meat and provisions	664.00		2,859.45

Sanitation (Sewers)			
Labor	975.41	975.41	
Pipe and fittings	648.88		
All other expense	87.52	736.40	1,711.81
Total Health and Sanitation			$6,629.32

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Highway and Bridges			
General Administration			
Expense	$41.75	$41.75	
Salaries and wages			
Pay Rolls	5,956.49	5,956.49	
Teams and Automobile			
hire	2,501.18		
Gravel, stone, tar, etc.	1,689.67		
Equipment			
Tractor	4,500.00		
Snow Plow	1,050.00		
Ford Truck	552.50		
Tools	73.17		
Hose	2.91		
All Other Expense			
State Highway Tax	2,226.30		
Repair to Equipment	628.59		
Lumber for Wooden			
Railings	47.65		
Metal Road Guard	110.12		
Repair to Waiting			
Station	5.80		
Culverts	370.24		
Gas and oil	630.08	14,388.21	
Bridges	328.26	328.26	
Snow and Ice removal			
Labor, pay rolls	1,451.32	1,451.32	
Teams and auto hire	1,715.11		
All Other Expense	8.32	1,723.43	
Street Lighting	9,002.68	9,002.68	
Other Expense	62.49	62.49	
Numbering Streets	100.00	100.00	
Total Highways			$33,054.63

CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

POOR			
General Administration			
Salaries, Overseers	$225.00		
Other Expense	93.00	$318.00	
Outside Relief by Town			
Groceries and Provisions	482.13		
Fuel	308.30		
Board and care	653.72		
Medicine and medical attendance	900.12		
Cash Aid	1,122.00		
Rent, clothing, transportation and undertaking	413.26	3,879.53	
Outside Relief by other Cities		1,800.19	
			$5,997.72
Soldiers' Benefits			
State Aid	96.00		96.00
Total Charities and Soldiers' Benefits			$6,093.72

SCHOOLS

General Administration		
Salary of Superintendent	$4,099.98	
Salary of Clerk	1,370.00	
Salary of Truant Officer	440.00	
Salary of Supervisors	3,140.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	144.38	
Telephone	52.70	
Traveling expenses	230.51	
All Other General expense	13.86	$9,491.43
Teachers' salaries		
High School	15,209.00	
Elementary	59,482.50	74,691.50
Principals' Salaries		
High School	1,290.00	
Elementary	1,290.00	2,580.00

Text Books and Supplies		
High		
Text and Reference books	555.41	
All Other	916.23	
Elementary		
Text and reference books	1,554.72	
All Other	2,508.12	5,534.48
Tuition		
Elementary	811.60	
Vocational	1,347.00	2,158.60
Transportation		
Elementary	4,402.59	4,402.59
Support of Truants	104.87	104.87
Janitors' Services		
High	1,539.95	
Elementary	6,643.50	8,183.45
Fuel and light		
High	1,188.38	
Elementary	7,088.27	8,276.65
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds		
High		
Repairs	348.81	
Janitor's supplies	63.68	
All Other	131.28	
Elementary		
Repairs	1,382.09	
Janitor's supplies	508.79	
Insurance	478.90	
All Other	267.99	3,181.54
Sanitary at Feeding Hills School		7,506.83
Furniture and Furnishings		
High	372.87	
Elementary	517.02	889.89

Other Expenses			
Diplomas and Graduation exercises		187.50	
Addition to High School Library.....		11.46	198.96
Total schools			$127,200.79

LIBRARIES

Salaries and Wages			
Librarians	$300.00		
Assistants	11.88	311.88	
Books and Periodicals			
Books	1,028.54	1,028.54	
Binding	20.15	20.15	
Fuel and light	19.52	19.52	
Buildings and Grounds			
Repairs	157.00		
Janitor's supplies	1.00	158.00	
Other expenses			
Stationery and postage	22.43		
Printing	8.40	30.83	
Total Libraries			$1,568.92

UNCLASSIFIED

Damage to Persons and Personal Property	$15.00	
For taking land for State Highway construction.....	1,300.00	
Memorial Day	150.00	
Printing Town Reports	343.65	
Workingmen's Compensation Insurance	669.46	
Aid to Agriculture	400.00	
Aid to Fire Department	30.00	
Total Unclassified		$2,908.11

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Water Department		
Salaries and wages		
Superintendent	$1,715.50	
Clerical	500.00	2,215.50

Printing, stationery and postage	122.57	122.57	
General			
Labor	379.96		
Truck	941.45		
Meters and equipment	763.00		
Water purchased	3,481.62		
All Other general expense	109.46	5,675.49	
Service Pipe			
Labor pay rolls	948.00		
Pipe and fittings	3,039.39		
All Other expense	74.37	4,061.76	
Total Water Department			$12,075.32

CEMETERY

Care of North Cemetery	$50.00	$50.00

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

Interest		
Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue	$5,230.00	
General Loans—Schools	4,118.75	
High School Loan	9,900.00	
Bridge Loan	2,480.00	
Highway Loan	1,637.50	
Water Loans	3,976.25	
Sewer Loan	720.00	
Total Interest		$28,062.50
Municipal Indebtedness		
Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue	$195,000.00	
School Loans	8,000.00	
High School Loans	13,000.00	
Memorial Bridge Loan	4,000.00	
Sewer Loan	1,000.00	
Highway Loans	15,500.00	
Water Loans	5,500.00	
Total Municipal Indebtedness		$242,000.00

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Agency		
State Tax	$13,320.00	
County Tax	10,666.66	
State Audit	1,786.25	
State and Non-resident Bank tax	46.35	
Soldiers' Exemption	37.02	
Income Davis Library Fund	718.59	
Old Cemetery Fund	32.56	
Total Agency		$26,607.43
Trust		
Perpetual Care Funds		
Maple Grove Cemetery Fund	500.00	500.00
REFUNDS		
On Taxes	327.01	
All Other	120.50	
Total Refunds		447.51
Total Payments		$503,939.10
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1926		7,763.51
Total cash and payments		$511,702.61

RECAPITULATION

Payments for year 1926	
General Government	$9,215.10
Protection to Persons and Property	7,525.75
Health and Sanitation	6,629.32
Highway Department	33,054.63
Charities and Soldiers' Benefits	6,093.72
Schools	127,200.79
Libraries	1,568.92
Unclassified	2,908.11
Public Service Enterprises	12,075.32
Cemetery	50.00
Interest and Maturing Debt	
Interest	28,062.50
Municipal Indebtedness	242,000.00

Agency Trust and Investment	26,607.43	
Trust	500.00	
Refunds	447.51	
Cash on hand December 31, 1926	7,763.51	
Total payments and cash		$511,702.61

TRIAL BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1926
AFTER CLOSING BOOKS

Cash	$7,763.51	
Taxes 1922	305.53	
Taxes 1923	2,357.78	
Taxes 1924	8,117.47	
Taxes 1925	45,383.62	
Taxes 1926	106,178.07	
A/C Receivable		
Co Aid to Highway	15,000.00	
Water Rates	5,624.33	
Water Entrances	690.08	
Tax Titles	147.51	
Loans Authorized	16,000.00	
Revenue Loans		$80,000.00
Surplus War Bonus		2,701.14
Overlay 1924		4,640.70
Overlay 1925		1,184.61
Overlay 1926		1,842.09
Water Revenue		6,831.42
Tax Title Revenue		147.51
Excess and Deficiency		55,209.42
Maple and Bridge Street Pavement		29,965.13
Springfield Street School		2,000.00
North Agawam School		5,711.06
Water Maintenance		12,334.82
Water Main Construction		5,000.00
	$207,567.90	$207,567.90

L. N. MAYNARD,
Accounting Officer.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Appropriations	Expenditures
Assessors	$2,200.00	$2,210.17
Town Buildings	2,000.00	1,453.12
Town Clerk and Treasurer	2,500.00	2,500.00
Town Office	5,000.00	4,771.08
Surety Bonds	300.00	322.50
Forestry	900.00	891.74
Fire Department	3,000.00	3,044.47
Police Department	3,500.00	3,007.27
Health	2,200.00	2,375.49
Highway and Bridges	20,000.00	21,690.78
Maple and Bridge Street Paving	15,000.00	34.87
Land Damage	1,300.00	1,300.00
Street Numbering	100.00	100.00
Street Lights	8,700.00	9,002.68
State Aid	100.00	96.00
Poor	5,000.00	5,997.72
Schools	121,000.00	120,999.56
Sanitary at Feeding Hills School	8,500.00	7,506.83
Library	1,483.90	1,443.42
Contingent	600.00	156.01
Memorial Day	150.00	150.00
Aid to Agriculture	400.00	400.00
Liability Insurance	400.00	669.46
North Cemetery	50.00	50.00
Interest	27,000.00	24,881.57
Town Debt	47,000.00	41,500.00
	$278,383.90	$256,554.74

Treasurer's Report

Year ending December 31, 1926

Cash on Hand January 1, 1926	$ 8,481.44
Receipts 1926	503,221.17
Total	$511,702.61
Payments 1926	503,939.10
Cash on hand December 31, 1926	$ 7,763.51

TRUST FUNDS

Whiting Street Fund			
On Hand January 1, 1926			
Cash	$ 912.34		
Securities	5,500.00	$ 6,412.34	
Received			
Sale of securities	2,000.00		
Accrued interest	24.75		
Income from fund	344.42		
Premium on securities	10.00	2,379.17	$ 8,791.51
Savings Banks deposits	2,000.00		
Expended for worthy poor	257.40	2,257.40	
Cash on hand December 31, 1926	1,034.11		
Securities	5,500.00	6,534.11	8,791.51
Desire A. Pyne Fund			
On hand January 1, 1926			
Cash	221.13		
Securities	2,000.00	2,221.13	
Income from fund	91.38	91.38	2,312.51

Expenditure for worthy poor	180.70	180.70	
Securities	2,000.00		
Cash on hand December 31, 1926	131.81	2,131.81	2,312.51
Phelan School Fund			
On Hand January 1, 1926			
Cash	426.97		
Securities	4,150.00	4,576.97	
Income from fund	238.88	238.88	4,815.85
By orders of school committee	41.00	41.00	
On hand December 31, 1926			
Cash	624.85		
Securities	4,150.00	4,774.85	4,815.85
Maple Grove Cemetery Fund			
May 28, 1926, Bequest under the will of Lydia Roberts			500.00
Deposited in Springfield Institution for Savings			500.00
Davis Library Fund			
Income received from Springfield Safe Deposit & Trust Co.			$ 718.59
Paid to F. A. Worthing, treasurer of Agawam Library Association			718.59
Phelon Library Fund			
Amount of Fund		$ 500.00	
Income from fund		22.75	522.75
By paying town treasury		22.75	
Amount of fund		500.00	522.75
Old Cemetery Fund			
Amount of Fund		700.00	
Income from fund		32.56	732.56
By paying treasurer of Cemetery		32.56	
Amount of fund		700.00	732.56

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Treasurer.

LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1926

Sixteen bonds of $1,000, payable annually, Oct. 1, 1927-42, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%, water loan	$ 16,000.00
Bond of 1913 water loan, payable $3,500 annually, July 1, 1927-34, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	54,500.00
1916 schoolhouse loan, $1,000, payable annually July 1, 1927-34, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	8,000.00
Schoolhouse bonds of 1917, payable $1,000 annually, Sept. 1, 1927-32, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	6,000.00
Sewer Bonds of 1916, payable $1,000 annually, Dec. 1, 1927-43, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	17,000.00
Water bonds of 1917, payable $1,000 annually, Oct. 1, 1927-42, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	16,000.00
High School bonds, payable to Old Colony Trust Co., $13,000 annually, Sept. 1, 1927-31; $12,000 Sept. 1, 1932-41, at 5%	185,000.00
Schoolhouse loan of 1924, payable $3,000 annually, June 1, 1927-30; $2,000 June 1, 1931-44, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4¼%	40,000.00
Memorial Bridge loan, payable $4,000 annually, Oct. 1, 1927-30; $3,000 annually, Oct. 1, 1931-44, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	58,000.00

Highway loan payable $2,000 annually, Oct. 1, 1927-33, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	14,000.00	
Schoolhouse loan of 1925 payable $3,000 annually, June 1, 1927-40, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	41,000.00	
Highway loan of 1925 payable $4,000 annually, June 1, 1927-29, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	12,000.00	
Temporary loans	80,000.00	
		$547,500.00

REPORT OF

Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Board of Health

During the year the State Auditors made a thorough audit of the Town accounts and introduced an entirely new and up-to-date system of bookkeeping; this system requires the Town Auditor or Accountant to go over each week the bills and expenditures, and the books are brought right up to date, so that any one can tell at a glance where each department stands.

By watching accounts carefully we were able by transferring a little money from one account to another to keep well within our appropriations.

BOARD OF HEALTH

Again we are glad to report that there has been no serious epidemic of contagious diseases in our midst.

Under the new state system of accounts, the cost of slaughter house and cattle inspection comes under this department, necessitating a larger appropriation.

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

As the population of a suburban town increases, the percentage per thousand people requiring aid from this department increases.

This is not encouraging, but we must take it into consideration and face the fact.

We have tried to make our appropriation go as far as possible, but owing to the industrial depression many demands have been made upon the department, we have spent the appropriation and could have used more.

POLICE

Chief Melvin H. Ransom, with the co-operation of the State Police, and the aid of the constables and the special police appointed have kept the expense of this department very low, considering the size of the Town and the great volume of automobile travel that passes through the Town during a year's time.

TOWN OFFICE

At the conclusion of the State Audit it was found that it would be necessary to have an experienced accountant take charge of the books, so an agreement was entered into with the Town Auditor, Leafie N. Maynard, and she now spends two half days a week at the office, and we are well satisfied that all accounts are well and correctly kept.

TOWN BUILDINGS

We strongly recommend an appropriation in this department for 1927 that will enable us to repair the Agawam and the Feeding Hills halls, these are both in very bad condition. All other Town buildings are in very good condition, and will require no repairs as far as we know.

HIGHWAYS

The contract for Maple and Bridge Streets has been let to Daniel O'Connell's Sons of Holyoke, and work will be started as soon as weather permits this spring.

We bought a five ton tractor and snowplow, which has more than justified itself for snow work, enabling us to keep all roads open all the time. This is one big step in the right direction, and we strongly recommend that more highway equipment be added each year, until we have our equipment thoroughly modern and up to date, which, after all, is the only way to maintain roads for the demands that are now made upon them.

For the past four years we have received aid from the State and County for permanent work and we feel that this plan can be carried on much to our benefit, if our own town can only agree where to build, instead of one section pulling against the other.

GILES W. HALLADAY, Chairman,
CHARLES W. HULL, Chairman,
Overseers of Poor,
H. PRESTON WORDEN, Clerk.

Report of Chief of Police

FROM JANUARY 1, 1926, TO DECEMBER 31, 1926

Number of Liquor cases Investigated	12
Number of Arrests	7
Number of Convictions	7
Number of all other cases Investigated	987
Number of Arrests	54
Number of Convictions	54
Number of stolen Automobiles recovered	10
Number of Dogs killed	21
Number of Summons served for other Police Depts.	127
Value of stolen property recovered	$ 176.84
Amount of Fines, drunk and liquor cases	415.00
Amount of Fines, Automobile cases	1,075.00
Number of Juvenile cases Investigated	47
Number of disturbances suppressed	15
Investigated breaks in houses and stores	3
Arrested for breaks in houses and stores	3
Automobile accidents investigated	48
Deaths from Automobile accidents	7
Arrests for carrying dangerous weapon, assault, etc.	3

M. H. RANSOM, Chief.

Report of Tree and Forest Warden

SHADE TREES

Owing to severe storms and winds the past season we have had several costly jobs in removing trees and debris, but fortunately no very heavy damage occurred. We have removed all the really dangerous trees, also many large and dangerous dead limbs, but there are several more old and decaying shade trees which should be removed in the near future. The coming season our elm shade trees should be sprayed for the elm leaf beetle, as the past season the beetles were very numerous, especially through Agawam Main Street. In making up the annual Town budget this should be taken into consideration as the cost of this spraying would be about three hundred ($300.00) dollars.

MOTH WORK

Although we found nearly 100 more Gypsy Moth Egg-Masses in 1926 than in 1925, it does not mean that the Gypsy Moth is increasing materially in this Town, as we found the most of this increase in one old apple tree which previously we could not get at without cutting, but fortunately was broken down by the wind, giving us a chance to make a clean-up. However, we did find a few more in woodland than usual. The season of 1926 will be noted for the worst infestation of Tent Caterpillars ever known in this section of New England. From this, some idea may be had of what would happen to our trees (not only fruit trees, but all trees) if the Gypsy Moth becomes strongly established, as so far there are no natural enemies to keep the Gypsy Moth in check as with most other kinds of Caterpillars.

EXPENSE, MOTH WORK

Pump and Supplies	$ 54.66
Spraying	30.00
Scouting	283.00
	$367.66

For moth work for 1927 would recommend an appropriation of three hundred ($300.00) dollars.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWIN M. HITCHCOCK,
Tree and Forest Warden.

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Agawam, Mass., Jan. 1, 1927.

To the Selectmen of Agawam,

Gentlemen:

My report for the year 1926 is hereby submitted.

Total articles sealed	441
Condemned	127
Commodities weighed	159
Correct	89
Under	18
Over	52
Coal weighed in transit	6
Correct	3
Under	2
Over	1
Coal certificates inspected	27

Respectfully,

EDWIN U. LEONARD,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Report of Board of Fire Engineers

In submitting our report for 1926 we feel as tho we were telling an old story, but nevertheless, it must be told.

With the growth of the Town come more calls and greater demands upon this department, and with this comes the greater necessity of keeping the equipment up to date so that greater fire loss may not result.

We wish to impress on the minds of our citizens that under no circumstances should they start a brush or grass fire without first obtaining a Fire Permit from the Fire Warden, and then using good judgment as to whether it is advisable to start a fire or not.

A large number of fires occur at a time when our men are away from town at their various places of employment, and the task of putting out these fires falls upon the few men who are employed in Town. This is a hardship on these men, so we again ask you to be cautious.

During the past year we have purchased only that equipment for the department that was needed for the time being. In doing this we avoided exceeding our appropriation, which would have been an easy matter to do.

As it was, a few bills were held up awaiting the 1927 appropriation. The purchase of 300 feet of 1½ inch fire hose which was placed at the Feeding Hills Station, is, we believe, a step in the right direction. The use of smaller hose makes it possible for one man to handle a nozzle to an advantage, when only a few men are able to answer an alarm.

We recommend the purchase of at least 600 feet of this size hose, so that each company may have it as part of their equipment.

Fire protection is of more value than fire fighting. Look well to your chimneys and keep them clean. Use no wooden ash barrels. Don't let your home be a fire menace.

BE CAREFUL, BE CAUTIOUS, BE SAFE. IT PAYS.

We wish to thank the members of the Fire Department for their fine work, and hope that the year 1927 will be easier for them.

Total loss by fire for 1926 was $46,055 and the value of property saved was $28,000.

CALLS MADE DURING 1926

Dwellings	40
Chimneys	14
Barns	3
Grass and Brush	22
Automobiles	6
Garages	4

Of these 32 were in North Agawam, 27 were in Feeding Hills, and 40 were in Agawam Center.

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN, Chairman,
RILEY S. FARNSWORTH, Purchasing Agent
FRANK T. GOSS, Secretary.

Assessor's Report

TOWN OF AGAWAM, MASS.

We regret to report the death of our most esteemed Brother Assessor, R. Mather Taylor. Mr. Taylor had served as Chairman of the Board of Assessors for over twenty years and had always been a very able and efficient servant of the Town, and his death was keenly felt by all who knew him.

At a joint meeting of the two remaining members of the Board of Assessors and the Selectmen, Clarence H. Granger was appointed as Assessor to complete Mr. Taylor's unexpired term.

REPORT

Horses	499
Cows	610
Neat Cattle	130
Swine	181
Sheep	17
Fowls	8,300
Value of Fowls	$8,300
Houses	1,363
Acres of Land	14,348

VALUATION

Buildings	$4,572,753.00
Land	2,820,977.00
Total Real Estate	7,393,730.00
Personal Estate	1,216,089.00
Total Valuation	8,609,819.00

Upon which taxes have been assessed as follows:

County tax	$ 10,666.66
State tax	13,320.00
State highway tax	2,226.30
State auditing tax	1,786.25

Schools	121,000.00	
Care of poor	5,000.00	
Highways and bridges	20,000.00	
Town offices	5,000.00	
Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector	2,500.00	
Police	3,500.00	
Memorial Day observance	150.00	
Board of health	2,200.00	
Assessors' department	2,200.00	
Fire department	3,000.00	
Forestry department (gypsy moth extermination)	900.00	
Street lights	8,700.00	
Libraries	300.00	
Town buildings	2,000.00	
Contingencies	600.00	
Surety bonds	300.00	
Liability Insurance	400.00	
County aid to agriculture	400.00	
Street numbering	100.00	
Care of North Cemetery	50.00	
Deficit overlays	2,636.24	
State aid	100.00	
Taking of land for High School	2,000.00	
Maple and Bridge Sts.	5,000.00	
Committee on sanitaries	200.00	
Taking of land	300.00	
Interest	27,000.00	
Indebtedness	47,000.00	
Overlay	2,000.33	
		$292,535.78
Less estimated receipts:		
Income tax	$ 18,813.00	
Bank tax	85.00	
Licenses	1,100.00	
Fines	800.00	
Highways	1,100.00	
Rentals	500.00	
Schools	1,800.00	
Soldiers' exemptions	15.00	
Interest on deposits	350.00	
Interest on taxes	7,000.00	

Corporation tax	4,500.00	
Water rental	5,000.00	
		$ 41,063.00
Amount to raise		$251,472.78
Tax on 1755 poll at $2	$ 3,510.00	
Tax on personal and real estate at $28.80	247,962.78	
		$251,472.78
To H. Preston Worden, Tax Collector, was committed for collection the sum of		$251,472.78
Omitted assessments		879.68
Total		$252,352.46
Abatements allowed		243.79
		$252,108.67

E. HAROLD HAMBLEN,
ADOLPHUS PROVOST,
CLARENCE H. GRANGER,
Assessors

Report of Tax Collector

1926

Tax Committed	$251,472.78	
Omitted assessments	879.68	
		$252,352.46
Cash paid treasurer	145,136.47	
Abatements	158.24	
Uncollected taxes Dec. 31, 1926	107,057.75	
		$252,352.46

Previous Years

Balance due Jan. 1, 1926	$146,770.86	146,770.86
Paid treasurer	88,666.34	
Abatements	1,921.27	
Tax Titles	18.85	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1926	56,164.40	
		$146,770.86

Auditor's Report

February 17, 1927

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector for the year of 1926 as set forth in his annual report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief they are correctly and accurately recorded.

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD,
Auditor.

REPORT OF

Board of Water Commissioners

RECEIPTS

From water rents	$17,215.80	
From water connections	2,140.63	
		$19,356.43

EXPENDITURES

Superintendent	$1,715.50
Printing and postage	122.57
Other administration	533.02
Labor	1,294.94
Teams	941.45
Meters	763.00
Water	3,481.62
Pipe and fittings	3,039.39
All other	183.83

WALTER S. KERR,
D. M. CROWLEY,
JOHN L. BURKE,
Water Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE COOPERATING WITH THE HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE 1926

The town of Agawam, lying as it does near the geographical center of the county and almost at the doorstep of the headquarters of the Hampden County Improvement League, is one of the towns where the various programs of League work are carried out to their fullest extent. From the standpoint of the Extension Service, Agawam is nearly an ideal town. It lends itself readily to the type of work done by the League, and because of its adaptability the work is carried on with rather more than ordinary success.

Last year there were 188 Agawam boys and girls enrolled in the various club projects carried on by the Hampden County League. There were 44 women enrolled in millinery, clothing, nutrition and other Home Economics courses conducted by the League Home Department. Dairymen, fruit growers, poultrymen, market gardeners and other farmers were given service through organized groups and directly by personal visitation by the county agricultural agent.

In club work Agawam produced three of the county's twelve club champions for 1926. Albert Jenks of Feeding Hills won the championship in corn growing. Robert Allen was adjudged the best pig raiser and Chester Bailey was sheep club champion for the year. In addition to these, there are three or four other boys and girls who did outstanding club work. This work has been under the general local leadership of Mrs. Preston H. Worden, who has been assisted by Marion Allen, Mrs. Lee Jenks, Mrs. William O'Connor and Mrs. Harry Briggs.

In Agawam Center the Home Department carried on a

course in Food Preparation under the leadership of Mrs. George Touissant, who was assisted by Mrs. Dwight Hawley, foremost among the commercial home canners in the county.

In Feeding Hills a group studied the question of Food Selection under the local leadership of Mrs. Etta Stebbins and Mrs. Harry Brown. The committee in charge of the work at Feeding Hills was Mrs. Charles Sunden, chairman; Mrs Arthur Fournier, vice-chairman; and Miss Ethel Snow, secretary.

A group in West Agawam studied the use of sewing machine attachments and advanced clothing under the leadership of Mrs. George Bryce, Mrs. Alfred Prevost and Mrs. Fred Petithory. In North Agawam Miss Jenkins, League nutrition specialist, took part in a tuberculosis clinic as part of her nutrition program.

The League has closed a very successful year throughout the county. Possibly its outstanding achievement has been the part it has played in reestablishing confidence in tuberculin testing of cattle. The League has reached more people this year than ever before and has carried to them a wider variety of service.

Agawam, together with every other town in the county, makes an annual appropriation to the work of the League. In Agawam this amounts to $400.00 and the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, who carry on their work through the League, respectfully request the renewal of this appropriation for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE,

By Lynne P. Townsend,
Asst. Managing Director.

Report of Library Trustees

BOOKS

Number at Agawam	6,584
Number at Feeding Hills	5,124
Number at North Agawam	1,421

CIRCULATION

Agawam	13,199
Feeding Hills	7,373
North Agawam	4,235

BORROWERS

Agawam	600
Feeding Hills	336
North Agawam	543

CLARENCE H. GRANGER,
ANNA H. RUDMAN,
IDA BERNATCHEZ,
Library Commissioners.

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

School Committee

and the

Superintendent of Schools

of the Town of

AGAWAM, MASS.

For the Year Ending December 31

1926

Agawam Public Schools

ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD

Clifford M. Granger, Chairman — Term expires 1929
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

Mrs. Grace B. Reed — Term expires 1929
Post Office Address, Agawam

J. Arsene Roy — Term expires 1927
Post Office Address, Mittineague

Sidney F. Atwood, Secretary — Term expires 1927
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

Arthur Rudman — Term expires 1928
Post Office Address, Agawam

Harry A. Spaight — Term expires 1928
Post Office Address, Agawam

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Benjamin J. Phelps
Telephone: Walnut 7219-R

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1927

Winter Term—January 3 to April 1.
Spring Term—April 11 to June 10, Elementary Schools.
Spring Term—April 11 to June 17, Junior-Senior High School.
Fall Term—September 6 to December 23.

OFFICE HOURS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

High School Building—School Days, 8.30-9.00 A. M., and by appointment.

SECRETARY

Emma Mellor
Telephone: River 1967-M

HOURS OF SESSIONS

Elementary Schools
9.00—12.00 A. M.
1.00— 3.30 P. M.

Junior High School
9.00—12.00 A. M.
12.30— 3.00 P. M.

Senior High School
9.00—12.30 A. M.
1.00— 3.00 P. M.

REPORT OF

School Committee

We herewith present for your consideration our annual report as a Committee. We wish to make you familiar with a few of the outstanding problems presented to us in the year just closed, and at the same time we feel it necessary to bring to your attention our recommendations for the year 1927.

You may remember that in our 1925 report we commented at considerable length upon the wretched condition of the sanitaries at the Feeding Hills Center School. At the last annual Town meeting a committee was appointed to make a careful investigation of the situation there, with instructions to report their findings and recommendations at a later meeting. At a special session of the voters, held in June, money was appropriated for the construction of an entirely new system of toilet facilities at that school. The installation of the modern scheme of sanitation adopted at that time, made necessary the renovation of a large part of the basement. As a result, we are now able to report a greater efficiency and a better morale at the Feeding Hills Center School.

Since the opening of school in September, the State examiner has finished her task of checking up on the mental capacity of all our Agawam school children. According to her report, we have in town quite a number of mentally retarded pupils, and, in fact, several border line cases. The State has ruled in other towns that special instruction be provided for such children, the major part of such training to be along Domestic Science and Manual Training lines. Our Superintendent will discuss this topic more in detail in his report, but the point we wish to impress upon you is the item of expense. If we follow out State requirements and State recommendations we must provide funds for special rooms at certain central points in town, with highly trained teachers

therein, and an entirely new and expensive form of equipment. This is a very serious problem and its solution must be found at the earliest possible date.

In spite of our comparatively new four-room addition at the Springfield Street School we are obliged to report a lack of proper school accommodations there. When school opened in September we were so overcrowded that it was a very difficult problem to handle the situation efficiently. Some grades numbered over 50 pupils, with practically every grade well up in the forties. Where possible, our Superintendent transferred pupils to other schools. However, it was finally found necessary to fit up the janitor's room to take care of the overflow from the largest grade. This necessitated the addition of an extra teacher at that school and the purchase of additional school equipment. As many of you know, the "Plains" section is building up very rapidly; in fact, there are now a large number of new houses in that locality as yet unoccupied. When they are all occupied conditions at the Springfield Street School will be much worse. It would seem to us the best policy to begin at once preparations for another four-room addition to that school in the near future.

As a Committee, we are grieved to report the loss, by death, of one of our most valued teachers, Harriet Peirce Carson, of the Springfield Street School. Mrs. Carson died in May after a very brief illness. Ever loyal and faithful to her duties, she was an inspiration to all those who came in contact with her. She was always courteous and considerate in her dealings with parents and children, always patient and cheerful with her pupils, and, above all, she showed an unusual loyalty to the Agawam schools. We feel that the school department has lost one of its most zealous and conscientious workers, and that her pupils have lost a patient and loving friend. Her influence, we believe, will endure for many years in the hearts and lives of those who knew her.

In our last report we called to your attention the matter of either improving or adding to the High School Athletic Field. At the Spring Town meeting a committee of six, two from each precinct, was appointed to consider this matter, with a request for a report and recommendations at a later meeting. This Committee looked into the matter very carefully, interviewed adjoining property owners and had several sketches made of proposed takings of land. The recommendation of this committee called for

the taking of a strip of land about 200 feet wide and about 400 feet in length along the boundary of the present school lot. This plan was unanimously adopted at a special Town meeting in the latter part of June, and, at the suggestion of members of the Finance Committee, a sum of money was appropriated towards paying for the purchase of the land in question. Some time after this vote was taken members of the Athletic Field Committee were requested by the Selectmen to consider another plan for a field. The alternate proposal of the "Town Fathers" was rejected by that committee for two reasons; first, because of its inadequacy for a suitable baseball field and, second, on account of its probable greater cost. Since then, so far as can be learned, the Selectmen have done nothing towards taking the land the voters instructed them to acquire. The School Committee has been keenly interested in this proposed acquisition of more land for our High School. The longer this matter is delayed the greater the cost will be to our town, and this opportunity already within our grasp should, we believe, be accepted at once. We suggest that immediate pressure be brought to bear in the proper direction in order that this deal may be put through at the earliest possible date. The policy of procrastination pursued in this matter has deprived our 1927 High School nine of a convenient home diamond. Our High School teams have made an enviable record during the past year and we should all feel proud of them. Let's get together now and put across this field proposition with a bang and show our boys and girls our appreciation of their clean playing and fine sportsmanship.

By practicing economy to the nth power we were in hopes of keeping within our budget. However, in order not to exceed the sum granted us we have been obliged to pass on to the 1927 account a few unpaid bills. Several things unforeseen at the time our 1926 budget was figured were responsible for this excess expenditure. An increase in our school population of about 100 pupils necessitated the purchase of additional books and a greater amount of general school supplies. The transportation bill has been unusually heavy this past year and at present writing this item seems likely to become very burdensome in the near future unless some remedy for existing conditions can be found. The equipping of another room at the "Plains School," and the hiring of an extra teacher there were other items of expense not foreseen. Our operating expenses and our repair bills have been the largest

we have had for years, one of the biggest repair bills being entirely unexpected. For the coming year we feel that a larger allowance must be made for our schools if we are to maintain the highest standard of efficiency. Our voters should know that the entire amount appropriated for schools is not raised by direct taxation, but that a large amount is received from the State each year. During the year 1926 Agawam received from the State upwards of $15,000. The larger part of this amount was received from the Massachusetts General School Fund, on account of our teachers, and the balance of that sum was derived principally from refunds to our Town from Vocational and Continuation School bills.

Several years ago our Town voted to adopt the "State system of Accounting." Two state accountants spent a number of weeks going over, with a fine tooth comb as it were, the books of practically every department in our Town. When they finished their survey they installed a new system of bookkeeping and accounting for our Town officials. The School Board does not know how much their work cost the town as a whole, but we do know, that in the process of readjusting the old and the new, the School Department suffered considerable financial loss in its 1926 budget. As a result of the new order of things bills, formerly paid by other departments, were charged up to our budget. Other accounts, which, according to the auditors, should not be carried by us, they forgot, apparently, to charge over to the proper authorities. It seems to us that some amicable agreement should be adopted by the various departments concerned in order that all friction and misunderstanding may be avoided.

We feel that as little money as possible should be wasted in the conduct of Town business. We have, however, one leak in our department which we have no means of controlling. All bills for fuel and lights in our Town buildings are paid from our school funds. Some of our halls are in use any where from two to four nights a week throughout the Winter months, and in many instances nothing but the janitor's fee is charged. It would seem to us, as long as our department is footing the bills, that the so-called "Town Halls" should be so repaired and furnished that any group, club or organization would be willing to pay enough for the use of said Halls to cover the heating and lighting items, as well as janitor's fees. This matter is not, perhaps, within our jurisdiction, but we believe that the majority of our taxpayers

would be willing to appropriate money sufficient to renovate and equip the Halls at Agawam Center and Feeding Hills Center.

In closing our annual report, we wish to thank you all for your very kind and hearty co-operation during the year 1926.

Respectfully submitted,

GRACE B. REED,
HARRY A. SPAIGHT,
SYDNEY F. ATWOOD,
J. ARSENE ROY,
ARTHUR RUDMAN,
CLIFFORD M. GRANGER.

Financial Statement of Schools

General expense	$ 6,332.78
Expense of instruction	80,411.50
Text books	1,978.19
Stationery, supplies, miscellaneous	3,499.33
Janitors	8,183.45
Fuel	7,365.18
Miscellaneous operating expense	1,790.74
Maintenance—repairs, etc.	1,567.91
Library	41.86
Health	1,998.45
Transportation	4,402.59
Tuition	2,158.60
Miscellaneous expense	349.12
Outlay—new equipment	919.86
Total	$120,999.56

Superintendent's Report

To the School Committee of Agawam:

Gentlemen: I hereby submit my report as Superintendent of Schools for the year ending December 31, 1926.

This report, for the most part, is a brief survey of the Agawam public schools in the Light of an Equal Educational Opportunity. Herein is presented also the reports of the heads of the various departments, and the usual school statistics with pertinent comments in regard to the same.

1. THE AGAWAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS IN THE LIGHT OF AN EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

It is a frequent assertion that the door of the schoolhouse is open to all of the youth of the land, and that the educational opportunity is equal for all in this country. That the educational opportunity is more just and more nearly equal today than ever before in the history of our Democracy, is a true statement. But the open door of the schoolhouse does not as yet necessarily mean an equal educational opportunity to all who enter thereby. Upon what, then, does an equal educational opportunity depend? It is deeply rooted in the recognition of great individual differences, and in the consequent provision of a curricula which will meet the requirements for the training of these differences. Such is the educational ideal that can be called in a full sense democratic and equal. How does Agawam measure up to this educational ideal?

Elementary Schools

In the elementary schools, that is, in the first six grades, the chief emphasis of instruction for all pupils is placed upon the tool subjects—reading, writing, arithmetic, and spelling. Ninety-three per cent of the children are able to successfully complete these grades in six years. Seven per cent of the pupils are retarded from one to three years; and of this seven per cent, three per cent are hardly able to cope at all with the prescribed elementary curriculum. Under our present grading system, they are placed with the other more capable children. At a glance it is evident that they are not receiving an equal educational opportunity.

In other words, among the 1631 pupils in the Agawam public schools there are thirty-three pupils who should be enrolled in special auxiliary rooms, where in ungraded classes they would receive a mental stimulus to which they could respond, and where adequate provision could be made for giving them some hand work, such as Manual Training and Domestic Arts.

This problem of special auxiliary classes is made rather complex in Agawam because of the scattered condition of the pupil population. Since there are not enough of such pupils in Agawam Center to make up a special room, it would be necessary to transport said pupils to North Agawam; and because of the same situation in Feeding Hills, special pupils from that locality would have to be transported to the Plains School. Both the Plains School and the North Agawam School are large enough in pupil enrollment to provide a room for special pupils.

Junior-Senior High School

In my last report no little space was given to a discussion of a possible change in the number of grades in the Agawam public schools. A plan was presented whereby such a change could be put in operation by September, 1927. Subsequently, the Committee voted in favor of the new organization. The details of putting the plan into action are herewith presented. In September, 1926, Grade VIII, composed of 122 pupils, was divided into three divisions. The pupils who had been, by their records, class leaders in the elementary schools, were placed in the first division. Scholastic standing, however, was not a selective factor for determining the membership of the other two divisions. In fact, in those divisions the grouping was heterogeneous. The three groups were given the same program of studies; that is, the regu-

lation eighth grade work. The selective group is doing more intensive and extensive work than the other two groups. To date, this group has made an excellent record in the class room and, with few exceptions, the group as a whole should receive promotion to High School in June. The class leaders of the other two groups should also receive the same promotion. This means that about fifty per cent of the pupils of Grade VIII should be promoted to the Freshman class of the high school in June, and this Freshman group will then be designated as Grade IX-A. The pupils of the grade who do not receive this double promotion will be graded as IX-B next September, and will be given an enriched program of studies similar to the work of the present ninth grade. By this plan, the pupils of the eighth grade who are prepared to carry on the work of the high school department will not be denied that opportunity, and provision is also made for those pupils of the eighth grade who need another year of preparatory work before they enter the high school.

The ultimate aim of this program of organization is to eliminate the ninth grade from the elementary school system; a policy which has been adopted in most of the schools of our state. This procedure must be gradual in character and not too abrupt, so that the change can be made without undue confusion. As the school system becomes adjusted to this change of organization, the number of pupils from year to year graded in IX-B will decrease. At the end of a period of four years, the few pupils who remain in that grade might well be re-classified with Grade VIII.

Two significant benefits will follow as a result of the reorganization: Our Junior-Senior High School can be definitely organized as a six-year high school—the type of school for which our building was constructed; the type of school, also, which is most efficient for the present status of our town. But more than that, this reorganization is a recognition in greater measure than ever before of the fact of individual differences as they are found in our pupils: for in a definite six-year high school program promotion by subject will receive greater recognition. Such promotion is the pure essence of individual differences.

In a junior-senior high school with an enrollment of 425 pupils, there are always present a few pupils who know definitely what vocation they wish to follow in life. Agawam recognizes this type of individual difference, and by the courtesy of the Springfield Vocational School, Agawam is able to offer an educational opportunity of great value.

Again, in the Junior-Senior High School curricula a number of courses are offered, such as College Preparatory, Commercial, and General. These courses are designed to meet individual differences as they are found in the pupils—that is, if these courses are properly administered. An example of mal-administration of the College Preparatory Course could be instanced in the former policy of most educators to compel everybody in the freshman class to take up the study of Latin and algebra. Such a procedure was based on the fallacy that everybody was equal, and totally ignored individual differences. Today, in the Agawam School pupils are registered in such a manner that a minimum number find themselves in the presence of an unsurmountable wall.

At this point, mention should be made of the Manual Training and Domestic Science Departments in the High School. These courses are compulsory in the Junior High School, but are elective in the Senior High School, where a large number of boys and girls elect them. Such courses afford an opportunity for selective factors to operate—factors based on individual differences.

In the report of the Principal of the Junior-Senior High School some interesting details are presented in regard to the number of pupils participating in Extra-Curricula Activities. It is not the policy of our schools to turn out finished athletes. We recognize individual differences in Extra-Curricula Activities, and for that reason offer a great number of such activities so that the opportunity may be equalized for all. For we hold that these activities, when wisely administered, are important educational factors; and we realize that such interests broaden the outlook of a high school pupil and make his life more abundant. We do not, however, give such activities the place of honor in our program of work; we seek rather to make them secondary and helpful to the work of the class room.

My conclusion on this topic of Equal Educational Opportunity is summed up in this statement: For the great majority of the pupils in the school system, because of the foresight of the School Committee and the progressive spirit of our citizenship, there is an equal and attractive educational opportunity. In the elementary schools there is a group of pupils who are three or more years below the average of their respective grades. In order to give them the best educational opportunity, they should be segregated, and more attention should be given, in their case, to work with the hands. This group always increases as the total number of pupils in the system grows. At the present time the number of such

pupils is large enough so that, when the next building program is launched, adequate room and equipment should be provided in their behalf.

TEACHING STAFF

The following table gives the number of changes in the teaching staff, and also records the total number of teachers in the system.

School	Number Teachers	Resignations	Transfers	New Teachers
North Agawam	10	0	1	1
Agawam Center	8	5	1	0
Feeding Hills	5	2	0	0
Springfield Street	9	2	0	1
High School	18	2	1	0
Rural Schools	3	2	1	0
Supervisors	2	2	0	0
Totals	55	15	4	2

There were more changes in the teaching staff during the past year than usual. Possibly the increase this year was due to the fact that during the three previous years there had been few changes. The causes of the changes, for the most part, were more attractive salaries in other school systems, and matrimony. In justice to those teachers who have left the system, it is a pleasure to record that, with hardly an exception, they had given their best to the Agawam schools over a period of years. The teachers who have taken their places have entered upon their work, in our schools, with such a spirit of cooperation that their contact with the other teachers and also with the pupils has produced results highly gratifying.

It is with much regret that we report the death of Mrs. Harriet Carson. Mrs. Carson served the Town of Agawam faithfully and efficiently for six years. She was beloved by both parents and pupils, and her death is a distinct loss to our town.

The teaching force as a whole may, without reservation, be characterized as progressive in spirit. There is prevalent a healthy desire to grow in the service. The words said of the clerk in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales, "Gladly would he learn and gladly would he teach," may well be written of the Agawam teachers.

Inspired by such a purpose, many of the staff have taken courses in summer schools; while others have kept abreast of the times by doing college extension work as offered in Springfield and Boston.

There can be no questioning the fact that the proper education of the youth of our land is the most important problem that faces parents, town officials, and citizens of the state and nation. The solution of this problem, from the standpoint of high ideals—and what other solution is worth while?—is made possible only when the teaching staff is composed of sympathetic, intelligent, earnest, progressive teachers. The responsibility resting upon the School Committee and its Executive Officer is indeed heavy. But that responsibility is cheerfully borne when supported by the desire of the citizens for good schools. My work during the past year, because of the co-operation on the part of both citizens and School Committee, has been found in pleasant places.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN J. PHELPS,
Superintendent of Agawam Public Schools.

HIGH SCHOOL REPORT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

My dear Mr. Phelps:

I present herewith a brief report for the past year.

The accomplishments of the Junior-Senior High School are steadily being increased in all departments. This is made possible to a large extent because there have been few changes in the teaching force. The school has carried on the work with practically the same body of teachers as in the preceding year. The students are measuring up well to the requirements in the various phases of the work. Besides doing what is required for promotion, a large number of pupils have taken part in some voluntary activity outside of the curriculum. This feature will constitute my report.

A study has been made and it was found that, in the senior division, 80% are taking part; and in the junior division, 70%. This represents extra time or extra effort beyond what is required in any regular subject. It speaks well for the interest of the pupils in the school. It also shows the enthusiasm and cooperation of the teachers in these affairs, because every organization within the school has a faculty adviser or coach who is responsible for its activities.

In the senior high school, the activities include competitive athletics, public dramatics, musical events, special assembly programs, art-poster and literary work, class meetings and committees, and participating management in athletic and student councils. In the junior high school, there are clubs of varied interests, and a beginning of the activities of the senior high school.

Each of the four upper classes has its officers and committees, while the lower classes are organized by rooms. A new unit of the four upper classes is the Student Council, which was organized

this year. The council seeks to take some responsibility for the proper conduct of the school, and to preserve the wholesome understanding which now exists between the students and the teachers.

One of our outstanding features is the daiy chapel or assembly. It partakes of various natures at different times. Basically devotional and inspirational, there are sometimes outside speakers and entertainers, and special programs presented by pupils. The time is occasionally devoted to training in mass cheering and singing.

We issue a magazine, "The Agawam Mirror," four times a year. All literary and news items are contributed by students. It is made self-supporting, through a small subscription price and the generous patronage of advertisers. Its standing among other school publications is evinced by its rating by the Inter-Scholastic-Press Association, which conducts the largest and most efficient contest of its kind in the country. The Agawam Mirror received in 1926 a higher rating than that given to any other magazine submitted by a public high school having less than 300 pupils.

There are several social events which are gradually becoming institutions with us. The Junior Prom is held in May and is the big dance of the year. Last winter under the supervision of the Dean of Girls a dancing instructor was engaged to come to the building once a week to give instruction and practice in dancing. Pupils showed a great interest in this and maintained an average attendance of 50 pupils throughout the season. A Hallowe'en Party was given by the Sophomores to the Freshmen. A general initiation was provided with plenty of entertainment of a musical and dramatic nature. A very successful "Kids" Christmas Party was held by the Senior and Junior classes combined.

The musical and dramatic phases of school life are well patronized. The largest crowd to be present in the auditorium since the dedication of the building, saw a splendid presentation of an operetta last November. The orchestra and Girls' Glee Club are continuing their good work of previous years.

The athletics which have held an important place for the last three years are now developed so Agawam is able to compete on an even basis with the best schools in Western Massachusetts. At present, we have school or "varsity" teams in football, basketball, and baseball for boys; field hockey and basketball for girls. In spite of the strong teams which we put forth, the pupils who are not members of the first squads are in no way neglected. They receive as much attention as would be the case if we did not have

the all-school teams, and they enter into the exercises and games with a much stronger spirit. Every boy and girl who is physically able takes part in gymnasium exercises. Basket shooting is possible before school and during the noon recess in the winter. Group or class teams in the various seasons have strenuous games, and a Junior-High Basketball team played a limited schedule last winter. Field hockey for girls was introduced last fall and one game with an outside team was played.

Other activities group themselves around athletics. The Athletic Council, composed of students, meet with the faculty manager, and participate both in deliberation of policies and administration of the details of management. Cheer leaders are selected by the council. Appropriate advertising posters are made by the students of art, when possible.

In the junior section, organizing around group interests is encouraged by a period set apart each day which is free from class recitations. The Leaders' Club has been in operation for nearly two years and is an essential part of the administration of the many details which are necessary in the smooth-running of a building with 425 pupils. Membership is gained by a pupil's doing three worth-while acts for his school. The following is a list of the clubs and their respective memberships: Current Events, 60; Geography, 15; Arithmetic, 28; Stamp, 12; Story hour, 25; Fancy work, 13. Admittance depends on high marks in the subject to which the club is related. The meeting is usually divided into an organizing and business session; a period for committee reports and a discussion of subject studied; and time for entertainment and game. Club matters do not infringe upon class room studies either in matters of time or of interest, but on the contrary, serve as an opportunity to apply certain studies and produce an incentive to learn more of theory and history which may be put into practice.

In college preparation we are meeting the requirements of the various institutions. Last May the girls were entertained at a "college tea" to which several alumni and representatives of various colleges were invited.

Our graduates are making good scholastic records in college. Although there have been but three graduating classes, they are representing the school in the following colleges and professional schools: Amherst, Brown, Cornell, Dartmouth, Fordham, Massachusetts Agricultural College, Mount Holyoke, Northeastern University, Smith, Springfield Junior College, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Pratt Institute, Bay Path Institute, Westfield

Normal, and Fitchburg Normal. No pupil who has prepared for college here has been obliged to drop his work and most of them are doing exceptionally well. One has received honorable mention in the department of Mathematics at Amherst College and another is now studying in France on a scholarship award for excellence in French.

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. DAVENPORT
Principal.

ART

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Supt. of Schools, Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

The work in the schools of Agawam this year has been planned to cover the most fundamental fields of art activity in the life of the child, namely, nature and object drawing, design and decoration, illustration, construction, and appreciation.

The nature and object drawings were made in pencil, crayon, and water-color, directly from the specimen or object; the aim being to develop keener observation, to record shapes, growth, and proportions, and to appreciate line, color, and texture in nature and common objects.

Color in its various hues and harmonies was then studied, which led to greater appreciation of its use in nature and art, and developed ability to create beautiful color combinations in practical school and home problems.

In design, simple borders and units were made, applying the previously studied color principles, the upper grades producing some very interesting textile patterns.

Illustration, or picture-making, involved the study of landscapes, figure or pose drawing, animal drawing, posters for various needs, holiday activities in the schools, and was correlated often with history, geography, and language. This type of work stimulates the imagination, gives expression to ideas, and gives the teacher the opportunity of correcting any faulty conceptions in the child's mind.

Lettering was also brought into the program of the year, and it is needless to state here the many practical uses of good-looking rapid lettering.

Construction, the actual making of objects such as boxes, baskets, toys, lamp shades, etc., has its value in the training it

affords the hands in the use of scissors, compasses, materials, and tools. Paper construction and sand table work were the vehicle used in the lower grades, while in the grammar grades we worked out problems in the various crafts and holiday projects.

In January a Safety First poster contest was held in the sixth grades of the town.

Posters, stage settings, and costumes were designed and made for the different musical presentations given during the year.

The High School work has presented the rather difficult problem of working out a course which in very limited time will still cover a wide enough range of subjects to prepare a few for art school, and give the others a cultural knowledge of beauty and good taste to serve them in everyday life. A very broad course in applied design was given, supplemented by trips to the city museums, department stores, and private homes where collections were seen and studied. Two cuts were also designed by the class for the Mirror. It is hoped that the finances of the high school paper may soon permit more work along this line.

It has been my chief aim this year to establish a definite art course in the schools which will bring the desired results in a smooth-running, efficient way. To further this end each grade and district school teacher is given a typewritten outline of the work of each month, its aims and specific lesson plans. In addition to this, a set of the finished model lessons, patterns and suggestions are placed in each building for the teachers' reference.

As the majority of American people are not producers or creators, but consumers of art, it is the object of this course not to develop individual artists or create works of art, but to develop through the study and application of art principles, discrimination and good taste, with a love of the beautiful to enrich everyday life, and to raise the artistic standard of our American products.

Much of the success of the art work this year is due to the initiative and interest of the Agawam teachers, with whom it has been a great pleasure to work.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY M. CROWLEY,
Supervisor of Art.

MUSIC

Agawam, Mass., January 21, 1927

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I hereby submit my report as Supervisor of Music in the Public Schools of Agawam.

Since September, 1926, when I began my duties here, we have been emphasizing the following points:

1. Music Fundamentals and Music Reading.

This point has been especially stressed as it is the basis upon which we develop the other aims in music. Reading by syllable is begun in the first grade and carried on until Junior High School. Here they begin to read songs at sight with the words. Rhythms, dynamics, part-singing, and other technical difficulties are taught grade by grade according to Mr. Ralph L. Baldwin's course of study.

2. Voice Training and Interpretation.

This is begun in the very first grade by the use of Rote Songs and matching tones, and is continued by song-singing through the grades reaching its culmination in the work of the Glee Club.

3. Appreciation.

One of the best forms of appreciation is that in which the pupils themselves take part. Thus, in giving them good songs to learn, we are leading them to appreciate better music. It is true that work with victrola records can give a broader scope than when

the pupils hear only their own songs. To this end, we are giving a little time to listening lessons. In the Junior High School we are taking up instruments of the orchestra in order that the pupils may be able to recognize the various instruments when they see or hear them.

4. Instrumental Work.

In keeping with the advance of instrumental music into an important place in the curricula of our modern schools, we have given prominence to orchestral work. The orchestra at Agawam Center practices regularly. The orchestra at North Agawam is doing well, also. They have played for Assembly at the High School and for the Christmas Tree Celebration at North Agawam. The High School Orchestra has had several evening rehearsals in addition to their regular class hour. They have played in Assembly, at the Woman's Club Play, the High School Musical Comedy, and the Operetta at Agawam Center. At present they are working on music to be given at a combined Glee Club and Orchestra Concert in May.

Another interesting development is the band, which has recently been started. All the boys in it are beginners and take their lessons in class at small expense. This is one organization which I hope will grow from a small beginning to a size worthy of its purpose.

In addition to those already named, the following public performances have been given:

On November 19, a selected group from the High School presented the Musical Comedy, "The Windmills of Holland." Both the cast and chorus did excellent work and displayed dramatic as well as musical ability.

On December 15 ,the children from the Agawam Center School presented the Operetta, "Storyland," under the efficient coaching of Mrs. Marion King. The other teachers, the mothers of the children, and all the children cooperated to make this a success, musically and financially.

On December 22, the boys and girls at Feeding Hills celebrated Christmas by giving "Christmas with the Old Woman Who Lived in the Shoe."

All of the schools sang Christmas Carols, but perhaps the most noteworthy group was at North Agawam, where the men of the Community had charge of the affair.

In submitting this report, I wish to convey my pleasure at

finding so much talent among the girls and boys. Without this natural ability we would not be able to accomplish so much or have such a splendid interest as is now shown.

In closing, I wish to thank the Superintendent, Principals and Teachers for the hearty cooperation which they have given me. It has been a strong factor in helping Agawam children enjoy their heritage of music.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH A. PERRY.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit to you my report of the work of the Domestic Science Department during the past year.

The course in cooking aims to teach care and equipment of the kitchen, habits of cleanliness and order, preparation and serving of foods, correct food combinations and amounts needed daily to supply the required number of calories.

Elementary work in cooking is given to about sixty-six girls in the eighth grade. The lessons include inexpensive but wholesome foods necessary for daily living. In planning this work the five classes of foods are considered; also their uses in the body.

Since best results can only be obtained by accurate measurements, the girls are taught how to measure correctly and how to multiply or divide a recipe by using the tables of equivalents and abbreviations. These facts, of course, are helpful when planning for or buying for a meal at home. No special text book is used by the children, but notes, taken from different reference books, are copied into a loose-leaf note book by each girl.

For each class a housekeeper is appointed, whose duty it is to care for supplies, clean the refrigerator and sinks, dust, sweep, and be responsible for the general appearance of the room.

A smaller group of twenty-two girls make up a class of second year cookery. This course deals with Fancy Cookery and Invalid Cookery. The former requires more skill in the arrangement of foods for serving. In the study of the latter, diets for some of the common diseases are considered.

The equipment for work in cooking is a credit to the town. A longer period for this work would be beneficial to the students.

SEWING

Work in sewing, which starts in the seventh grade, aims to teach the girls all of the common stitches needed in making and mending a garment. After accomplishing these satisfactorily, the use of the sewing machine and its parts is studied. The projects then made by machine are cooking apron, cap, and hot dish holder. Patterns are used in making the cooking set, thus teaching the girls how to use them.

Advanced sewing classes include more intricate patterns for underwear and dresses. Different phases of fancy work enter into the work also, most of which is done by Juniors and Seniors who have already taken the former work.

The increase in the size of the classes point toward the need of more than two sewing machines, which make up the present equipment along that line.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HAZEL C. ALDRICH.

MANUAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Mr. Phelps:

I present herewith this, the annual report of the Manual Training Department.

The Junior High and Freshman work this year has continued much the same as last year. My policy in regard to these classes has been to personally choose a useful project which, in my estimation, is simple enough for the groups at their different stages of progression to construct, and yet so designed that it be of the most possible educational value. In this way, they learn the different tool processes and have a useful article at the conclusion. The election of the subject is compulsory in these classes.

The High School students, beyond the first year, are permitted to design, construct, and finish articles of their own choice. In addition, most of the work for the school department is done by these classes.

One of the High School problems this year has been the building of six sand tables for use in the primary grades. It was necessary that a sheet metal lining be put into them; and in connection with this problem I was able to demonstrate, as well as possible with improvised tools, the elementary steps of sheet metal work. I would recommend that some sheet metal equipment be installed so that this work could be carried further.

During the year sand tables, book cases, and a bench were constructed for the primary grades. Bulletin boards, book cases, stage scenery, apparatus, benches, seats for the gymnasium, and many other articles were made for the High School.

I would recommend that the High School classes be given

more class periods per week if such be possible under the present curriculum.

An exhibition of work completed during the school year was held at Commencement time.

Very respectfully,

FREDERICK T. DACEY,
Supervisor of Manual Training.

PHYSICAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit for your consideration the annual report of the Department of Physical Education.

All classes in Physical Education in the Junior and the Senior High School come under the direct supervision and leadership of the Director. With the gradual establishment of the department the character of the work has changed to allow some specialization and natural progress in certain directions.

The regular class routine in the Spring and Fall was adjusted so as to allow conducting of classes in the out-of-doors as often as possible. The accessibility of the athletic field was an important aid in this phase of the work.

The girls' class activity was confined chiefly to calisthenics, hand apparatus drills, baseball (soft ball), field hockey, soccer, and a variety of common field games conducive for mass play in the open air.

With the boys, at this period, the sports in season were featured. In the Spring, classes were formed into baseball leagues, with records kept, fostering a keener spirit of competition. Soccer and "touch football," ideal activities for Fall sports, found many boys getting the fundamentals of these "red-blooded games."

As Winter came on the classes retreated indoors and the regular class organization came about. A brief resume of this work finds emphasis on Marching, Calisthenics, Apparatus (head and hand), Games, Folk-dancing, and, in general, "athletics for all." Related to this policy of "athletics for all" an interesting side light is that at the present time there are organized and supervised in the High Schools some 30 boys' basketball teams involving some 175 boys, or about 90% of the boys enrolled. In further continuing this policy, large squads are held out for the season of the specialized seasonal sports such as football, basketball, and baseball. These representative teams are amongst the sectional leaders, and

the 1926 boys' basketball team had the nice distinction of being delegated to the New England Championship Tournament at Boston as a representative of Western Massachusetts.

The annual gymnastic exhibition was successfully presented and depicted thoroughly the work of the department.

The work has been alleviated from time to time thru the co-operation of other departments in the school, especially so by the Music, Art, and Manual Training Departments.

The Physical Department Program, in my judgment, is effective, clean, and wholesome, and our athletics are not over emphasized.

Respectfully submitted,

HARMON A. SMITH,
Director of Physical Education.

TABLE SHOWING GROWTH OF AGAWAM SCHOOLS DURING THE PAST FIVE YEARS

Year	Enrollment	Increase
January 1, 1922	1,245	
January 1, 1923	1,349	104
January 1, 1924	1,433	84
January 1, 1925	1,499	66
January 1, 1926	1,572	73
January 1, 1927	1,631	59
		386

The enrollment January 1, 1927, is twenty-four per cent greater than on January 1, 1922. In other words, there are 386 more pupils in our schools today than there were at the time when we opened the new High School. Such a phenomenal increase in pupil enrollment is hardly paralleled in our state. The largest growth has been in the Plains section and in North Agawam. We are able, at present, to seat all of our pupils, but many of our class rooms are filled to the point of overflowing.

PROMOTION TABLE

School	No. of Pupils on Roll June, 1926	No. of Pupils not Promoted June, 1926
North Agawam	300	48
Springfield St.	291	30
Agawam Center	239	20
Feeding Hills	168	7
West St.	34	2
Suffield St.	25	4
South St.	33	4
Junior High	198	8
Senior High	151	11
Totals	1,439	134

Per cent of pupils not promoted—all schools—9.3.
Per cent of pupils in elementary schools not promoted—9.4.

It is difficult to get data of similar nature from other towns, because many school officials fail to make this survey. The per cent of non-promotion in the elementary schools of Philadelphia, for the school year 1925, was 12.7%.

PERCENTAGES OF FAILURES IN DIFFERENT HIGH SCHOOL SUBJECTS

Subjects	6,141 Pupils in N. Y. and N. J. High Schools June, 1925	160 Pupils in Agawam High School June, 1926
Latin	18.7	10
Mathematics	16	17
French	11.5	11.5
History	9.8	15
Science	8.2	8
English	8.2	8.7
Commercial	8	7.6

Local and temporary conditions may operate to cause more failures or fewer failures in a given subject. On the whole, the failures in Agawam High parallel closely the number of failures among the 6,141 pupils. The large number of failures in History was due to the transfer to high school of several boys who were not well prepared for high school work. It seemed best, however, to give them a tryout in high school.

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE PRESENT SCHOOL YEAR

SEPTEMBER 7—DECEMBER 31

	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Daily Attendance	Per Cent Attendance	Tardiness
SENIOR HIGH					
Grade XIII	20	19.78	18.17	91.86	24
Grade XII	48	46.52	44.59	95.85	24
Grade XI	35	34.25	32.77	95.68	42
Grade X	65	60.85	57.22	94.03	22
JUNIOR HIGH					
Grade IX-1	41	39.59	38.15	96.66	7
Grade IX-2	41	39.36	36.96	93.90	33
Grade VIII-1	41	39.37	36.70	93.21	25
Grade VIII-2	41	37.76	35.94	95.18	3
Grade VIII-3	40	39.11	37.92	96.96	6
Grade VII-1	26	24.94	24.17	96.91	2
Grade VII-2	26	25.56	24.94	97.57	14
AGAWAM CENTER					
Grade VI	52	50.16	46.67	93.04	42
Grade V	38	36.16	34.31	94.88	12
Grade V-IV	29	27.95	26.93	96.35	34
Grade IV	34	32.04	30.39	94.85	17
Grade III	35	31.47	29.86	94.85	50
Grade II	29	26.10	24.77	94.90	32
Grade I	40	29.65	24.92	84.04	25

NORTH AGAWAM					
Grade VII	37	32.06	31.76	99.06	5
Grade VI	45	43.31	42.65	98.48	14
Grade V	47	44.16	42.95	97.26	17
Grade IV	41	39.46	38.26	96.96	12
Grades IV-III	33	31.96	30.85	96.54	21
Grade III	37	34.83	34.07	97.81	8
Grade II	37	35.88	35.17	98.02	11
Grades II-I	29	28.22	27.55	97.62	8
Grade I	36	34.84	33.77	96.92	9
SPRINGFIELD STREET					
Grade VII	35	30.96	29.62	95.67	12
Grade VI	40	36.40	34.46	94.67	10
Grade V	43	40.97	38.32	93.49	68
Grade IV	42	41.13	39.20	95.30	15
Grade III	43	37.90	35.90	94.72	31
Grade II	42	41.22	39.26	95.25	30
Grades II-I	36	33.85	31.41	92.80	26
Grade 1	38	36.74	34.28	93.30	36
Grade 1	18	17.19	16.22	94.31	15
FEEDING HILLS					
Grade VII	25	23.14	22.27	96.24	3
Grades VI-V	45	41.90	40.05	95.58	4
Grades V-IV	42	38.77	37.93	97.83	8
Grades III-II	44	40.63	38.68	95.20	17
Grade I	30	27.31	25.93	94.87	2
SOUTH SCHOOL	29	28.02	25.67	91.62	27
SUFFIELD STREET	31	30.19	27.52	91.15	36
WEST STREET	25	23.44	22.43	95.69	15

Total Membership for Town	1,631
Average Membership for Town	1,535.10
Average Daily Attendance for Town	1,461.56
Per Cent Attendance for Town	95.2
Tardiness for Town	874
Total Membership January 1, 1926	1,572
Increase over last year	59

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DOCTOR AND SCHOOL NURSE FROM JANUARY, 1926, TO JANUARY, 1927

Number of Schools Visited	8
Number of Visits to Schools	940
Number of Visits to Homes	677
Number of Treatments	443
Pupils inspected	4,244
Number of Pupils taken to Oculist	11
Number of Pupils taken to T. B. Clinic	52
Number of Cases of Scarlet Fever	5
Number of Cases of Whooping Cough	25
Number of Cases of Measles	148
Number of Cases of Chicken Pox	2
Number of Cases of Mumps	4
Number of Cases of Pediculoses	14
Number of Tonsils and Adenoids	286
Number of Defective Teeth	286
Number of Glands	324
Number of Cardiac Cases	8
Number of Orthopedic Cases	7
Number of Malnutrition Cases	7
Number of Cases of Goiter	7

Pupils were measured in September and January, and weighed in September, November, January, March and May.

Fifty-two children were examined at the Chest Clinic given by the Hampden County Tuberculosis and Health Association in December, in North Agawam School:

Return Cases	27
Suspicious	6
Quiescent	6
Negative	15
New Cases	25
Negative	23
Suspicious	2
Van Pirquet Tests given	25

My sincere appreciation to the parents, superintendent, principals, and teachers, for their courtesy and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY LOUISE BLACK.

HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM REPORT

Year	Cash Receipts	—Expenditures— Salaries	Food	Balance	Stock on Hand
1922-'23	$2,553.26	$567.60	$1,985.66		$6.25
1925-'26	5,271.69	1,212.00	3,890.04	$169.65	24.59

The above report is given to show a comparison between the year we opened and last year.

AGAWAM CENTER LUNCH ROOM

The lunch room in this school is not supported by the funds taken from the school appropriation. The project has been in operation one year. With the help of the Mothers' Club this very important work has been carried on successfully. In the near future the Mothers are planning to present 100 chairs to the lunch room.

TEACHERS' APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS—1926

APPOINTMENTS

Name	Subject or Grade	School	Began Service
Mary A. Crowley	Art Supervisor		Sept., 1926
Ruth A. Perry	Music Supervisor		Sept., 1926
Elizabeth E. Baker	Commercial	Senior High	Sept., 1926
Maurice P. Smith	Science	Senior High	Sept., 1926
Grace M. Connell	Grades III-IV	North Agawam	Sept., 1926
Mrs. Marguerite B. Dacey	Grade I	Springfield St.	Sept., 1926
Phyllis B. Irwin	Grades I-II	Springfield St.	Sept., 1926
Musa B. Richardson	Grade II	Springfield St.	Sept., 1926
Mrs. Bernice Miller	Grade V	Springfield St.	Sept., 1926
Jessica Dickinson	Grade I	Agawam Center	Sept., 1926
Dorothy L. Hooker	Grade III	Agawam Center	Sept., 1926
Gladys E. Goodwin	Grade IV	Agawam Center	Sept., 1926
Pauline Lyman	Grade V	Agawam Center	Sept., 1926
Mary E. McDowell	Principal	Agawam Center	Sept., 1926
Mrs. Bessie S. Field	Grades II-III	Feeding Hills	Sept., 1926
Christina M. Rose	Grades IV-V	Feeding Hills	Sept., 1926
Christina Fraser	Grades I-II-III	Suffield St.	Sept., 1926
Merriam S. Weeks	Grades I-II-III	South School	Sept., 1926

RESIGNATIONS

			Ended Service
Helen Bemis	Art Supervisor		June, 1926
Mary A. Greenan	Music Supervisor		June, 1926
Edith J. Best	Science	Senior High	June, 1926
Mrs. Mildred S. Cole	Commercial	Senior High	June, 1926
Minta A. Locke	Mathematics	Junior High	June, 1926
Jennie E. Campbell	Principal	Agawam Center	June, 1926
Helen L. Spelman	Grade V	Agawam Center	June, 1926
Marjorie King	Grades IV-V	Agawam Center	June, 1926
Mildred E. Simpson	Grades II-III	Agawam Center	June, 1926
Mrs. Margaret F. Kelley	Grade I	Agawam Center	June, 1926
Gladys M. Hall	Grade VI	Springfield St.	June, 1926
Mrs. Louise A. Griswold	Grade III	Springfield St.	Sept., 1926
Alice P. Woodruff	Grades IV-V	Feeding Hills	June, 1926
Mrs. Helen R. Fuller	Grades II-III	Feeding Hills	June, 1926

DECEASED

Mrs. Harriet D. Carson	Grade II	Springfield St.	May, 1926

TRANSFERS

	From		To		Date
Mae P. Lynch	North Agawam,	Grade VII	Junior High,	Mathematics	Sept. 1926
Annette E. Deely	Agawam Center,	Grade IV	North Agawam,	Grade VI	Sept. 1926
Ida J. Hubbell	Suffield St.,	Gds. I-II-III	Agawam Center,	Grade II	Sept. 1926

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT

DECEMBER 31, 1926

School	Subject or Grade	Education	Yrs. Exp. Prior to Sept., 1926	Began Service in Agawam	Salary per Month
Benjamin J. Phelps	Superintendent	Yale College B. A. Teachers College M. A.	24	July, 1922	$350.00
SUPERVISORS					
Mrs. Hazel C. Aldrich	Domestic Science	Skidmore College of Arts	10	Sept., 1922	190.00
Mary M. Crowley	Art	Mass. Normal Art School	3	Sept., 1926	160.00
Frederick T. Dacey	Manual Training	Fitchburg Normal	8½	Sept., 1922	250.00
Ruth A. Perry	Music	Keene Normal School Montpelier Seminary	3	Sept., 1926	180.00
Harmon A. Smith	Physical Training	Y. M. C. A. College	2	Sept., 1924	250.00
HIGH SCHOOL					
Elmer F. Davenport	Principal	Brown University B. A.	10	Sept., 1925	270.00
Elizabeth E. Baker	Commercial	University of New Hampshire B. A.	2	Sept., 1926	160.00
Ruth Bugbee	English	Smith College B. A.	1	Sept., 1925	140.00

Nelle I. Button	English	Middlebury College M. A.	21	Sept., 1922	190.00
Erika C. Jauch	French and Latin	Smith College B. A.	4	Sept., 1923	170.00
Clara L. McIntire	Commercial	Bay Path Institute Northeastern Univ., 3 yrs.	7	Sept., 1922	190.00
Eleanor H. Smith	Mathematics	Smith College B. A. Teachers College M. A.	7	Sept., 1922	190.00
Maurice P. Smith	Science	Bates College B. A.	4	Sept., 1926	190.00
Marjorie Ward	History	Smith College B. A. Teachers College M. A.	5	Sept., 1922	180.00
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL					
Cora M. Barnes	History	Westfield Normal	9 2-3	Sept., 1922	160.00
Mae P. Lynch	Mathematics	Westfield Normal	10	Sept., 1919	140.00
Mrs. Viola W. Phillips	English	New Britain Normal Springfield Commercial	10	April, 1920	160.00
Catherine T. Powers	Geography	Westfield Normal	9	Sept., 1917	170.00
John M. Quirk	Science	Middlebury College B. A.	6½	Jan., 1923	220.00
Hazel M. Sullivan	Sci. and Math.	Westfield Normal	12	Sept., 1914	160.00
AGAWAM CENTER SCHOOL					
Mary E. McDowell	Principal	Eastern State Normal	13	Sept., 1926	160.00
Cora E. Halladay	Grade VI	Westfield Normal	12	Sept., 1915	140.00
Pauline Lyman	Grade V	Castleton Normal	3	Sept., 1926	120.00
Mrs. Marion F. King	Grade V	Technical High Yale—2 summers	5	Sept., 1924	130.00

Gladys E. Goodwin	Grade IV	Farmington Normal	1	Sept., 1926	110.00
Dorothy L. Hooker	Grade III	Westfield Normal		Sept., 1926	110.00
Ida J. Hubbell	Grade II	Westfield Normal	2	Sept., 1924	115.00
Jessica Dickinson	Grade 1	Westfield Normal	1	Sept., 1926	115.00
NORTH AGAWAM SCHOOL					
Katherine G. Danahy	Principal	Westfield Normal	27	Sept., 1899	185.00
Eleanor C. Daly	Grade VII	Westfield Normal	4	Sept., 1923	130.00
Annette E. Deely	Grade VI	Westfield Normal	5	Sept., 1921	135.00
Ruth C. Grady	Grade V	Westfield Normal	3	Sept., 1923	125.00
Alice McKeown	Grade IV	Westfield Normal	3	Sept., 1923	125.00
Grace M. Connell	Grades III-IV	Westfield Normal	1	Sept., 1926	110.00
Olive A. Fox	Grade III	Westfield Normal	16	Sept., 1914	140.00
Kathryn M. Roache	Grade II	Westfield Normal	9	Sept., 1922	135.00
Mrs. Anna M. LaSalle	Grades I-II	Westfield Normal	11	Sept., 1921	135.00
Jennie M. Lucas	Grade I	Southington Training	26	Sept., 1900	150.00
SPRINGFIELD ST. SCHOOL					
Faolin M. Peirce	Principal	Springfield Normal	17	Sept., 1909	180.00
Mrs. Marguerite B. Dacey	Grade I	Westfield Normal	8	Sept., 1926	130.00
Phyllis B. Irwin	Grades I-II	Westfield Normal	1	Sept., 1926	110.00
Musa B. Richardson	Grade II	Farmington Normal	2	Sept., 1926	120.00
Dorothy Emerson	Grade III	Univ. of Vermont Training Class	2	Sept., 1925	115.00
Viva M. Potter	Grade IV	Barton Teachers Training Course	9	Sept., 1925	120.00

Mrs. Bernice Miller	Grade V	Westfield Normal	7	Sept., 1926	130.00
Beatrice M. Schadee	Grade VI	Framingham Normal	3	Sept., 1924	125.00
Emily M. McCormick	Grade VII	Westfield Normal Bay Path Institute	3	Sept., 1924	130.00
FEEDING HILLS SCHOOL					
Helyne D. Mousley	Principal	Westfield Normal	3	Sept., 1923	160.00
Ruth E. Manchester	Grades V-VI	Gorham Normal	3	Sept., 1924	120.00
Christina M. Rose	Grades IV-V	Westfield Normal	5	Sept., 1926	125.00
Mrs. Bessie S. Field	Grades II-III	Eastern State Normal	15	Sept., 1926	135.00
Mildred M. Trask	Grade I	Higgins Classical Inst.	7	April, 1922	135.00
SUFFIELD ST. SCHOOL					
Christine Fraser	Grades I-II-III	Westfield Normal		Sept., 1926	105.00
SOUTH SCHOOL					
Merriam S. Weeks	Grades I-II-III	Westfield Normal		Sept., 1926	105.00
WEST ST. SCHOOL					
Ruth M. Ripley	Grades I-II-III-IV	Castine Normal	4	Sept., 1925	120.00

Articles in Warrant

FOR MARCH 12, 1927

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For the Year Ending December 31

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Town Officers 1927–1928

Selectmen, Public Welfare and Board of Health

GILES W. HALLADAY JAMES F. KIRBY
CHARLES W. HULL

Town Clerk and Treasurer

HENRY E. BODURTHA

Collector

HENRY E. BODURTHA

School Committee

CLIFFORD M. GRANGER .....Term expires 1929
GRACE B. REED .....Term expires 1929
ARTHUR RUDMAN .....Term expires 1928
HARRY A. SPAIGHT .....Term expires 1928
J. LEO ROY .....Term expires 1930
SIDNEY F. ATWOOD .....Term expires 1930

Assessors

CLARENCE H. GRANGER .....Term expires 1930
PAUL B. JOHNSON .....Term expires 1928
ADOLPHUS PROVOST .....Term expires 1929

Auditor

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD

Library Trustees

CLARENCE H. GRANGER .....Term expires 1929
ANNA H. RUDMAN .....Term expires 1928
IDA BERNATCHEZ .....Term expires 1930

Trustees of Whiting Street Fund

JUDSON G. BLACKMAN .....Term expires 1928
DENNIS M. CROWLEY .....Term expires 1929

Cemetery Commissioners

WILLIAM D. RISING .....Term expires 1930
DWIGHT E. BAILEY .....Term expires 1928
FRANK W. RANDALL .....Term expires 1929

Water Commissioners

WALTER S. KERR .....Term expires 1929
DENNIS M. CROWLEY .....Term expires 1928
JOHN L. BURKE .....Term expires 1930

Tree Warden

EDWIN M. HITCHCOCK

Constables

DWIGHT E. BAILEY
WARREN C. BODURTHA
DANIEL O. CESAN
HENRY E. CHANNELL
EARL E. DICKINSON
WILLIAM A. DUCLOS
PERLEY J. HEWEY
ALVIN R. KELLOGG
RALPH D. POND
CHARLES H. WYMAN

Surveyors of Lumber

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN
CHARLES W. HULL
FREMONT H. KING
NELSON G. KING

Measurers of Wood

LOUIS CONTI
CHARLES W. HULL
ALVIN R. KELLOGG
NELSON G. KING

Public Weighers

PRENTISS JENKS
HARVEY E. PORTER
SIDNEY GRANGER
FRANK WHITTAKER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

EDWIN U. LEONARD

Chief of Police

PERLEY J. HEWEY

Registrars of Voters

EMIL A. ROY — HOWARD W. POND

PHILLIP W. HASTINGS — HENRY E. BODURTHA

Inspector of Animals and Meats

JAMES H. CLARK

Fire Engineers

FRANK T. GOSS — RILEY S. FARNSWORTH

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN

Foreman in charge of Highway Work

CHARLES H. WYMAN

Fence Viewers

CHARLES F. BARDEN — THOMAS A. KERR

Field Drivers

WILLIAM S. HALLADAY — FRANKIE H. CAMPBELL

Burial Agent

EDWIN B. SPRING

Town Counsel

WENDELL G. BROWNSON

Town Clerk's Report

TOWN ELECTION, MARCH 7, 1927

Precinct	A	B	C	Total
Number of ballots cast	450	315	336	1101

RESULTS OF COUNT OF BALLOTS

For Selectmen, Board of Welfare and Board of Health:				
Giles W. Halladay	89	232	232	553
Charles W. Hull	116	218	287	621
James F. Kirby	396	96	115	607
Frederick A. Raison	240	97	103	440
H. Preston Worden	64	192	216	472
Minnie Barden			1	1
Blanks	445	110	54	609
For Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector:				
Henry E. Bodurtha	170	162	229	561
George H. Reed			1	1
Carrie Kendall			1	1
Blanks	280	153	105	538
Assessor for three years:				
Clarence H. Granger	245	260	298	803
Arthur Baines			1	1
H. G. Taylor		1		1
Blanks	205	54	37	296

Assessor for one year:				
Paul B. Johnson	177	217	288	682
F. H. King			1	1
William M. Shaylor			1	1
Blanks	273	98	46	417
School Committee for three years:				
Sidney F. Atwood	166	254	264	684
Joseph Leo Roy	311	217	266	794
Blanks	423	159	142	724
Water Commissioner for three years:				
John L. Burke	196	94	172	462
William M. Shaylor	100	171	155	426
Blanks	154	50	9	213
Auditor:				
Leafie N. Maynard	239	220	290	749
Blanks	211	95	46	352
Tree Warden:				
Edwin M. Hitchcock	242	241	306	789
Blanks	208	74	30	312
Trustee of Whiting Street Fund for two years:				
Dennis M. Crowley	286	110	85	481
Fremont H. King	69	163	229	461
Blanks	95	42	22	159
Trustee of Whiting Street Fund for one year:				
Judson G. Blackman	180	244	272	696
Blanks	270	71	64	405
Library Trustee for three years:				
Ida Bernatchez	225	194	256	675
Blanks	225	121	80	426

Cemetery Commissioner for three years:				
William D. Rising	220	229	269	718
Blanks	230	86	67	383
Constables:				
Dwight E. Bailey	81	191	269	541
Moise V. Bessette	254	67	75	396
Warren C. Bodurtha	95	195	297	587
Major Burnett	162	36	66	264
William Buckley	182	48	59	289
Daniel O. Cesan	83	213	224	520
Henry E. Channell	69	152	273	494
Thomas Daly	183	45	55	283
John R. Daly	128	37	131	296
Jasper DeForge	216	59	62	337
William DeForge	189	44	42	275
Earl E. Dickinson	64	186	226	476
William A. Duclos	195	154	130	479
Walter C. Goss	55	41	144	240
Alvin R. Kellogg	93	243	214	550
Adam Letendre	118	77	33	228
Louis Loncrini	125	20	19	164
Ralph D. Pond	72	180	254	506
Melvin H. Ransom	142	181	233	556
Charles H. Wyman	80	224	230	534
Blanks	1914	757	324	2995

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 12, 1927

The Annual Town Meeting was called to order and the Warrant for the same read by the Town Clerk.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting. Clarence H. Granger was elected unanimously 46 votes cast.

Article 2. To choose two or more Fence Viewers and two or more Field Drivers.

Charles F. Barden and Thomas A. Kerr were elected Fence Viewers. William S. Halladay and Frankie H. Campbell were elected Field Drivers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

Voted to accept the report of the Town Officers as printed, typographical errors and omissions excepted.

Article 4. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Voted: That the care of the Poor be left in the hands of the Overseers of the Poor.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day and provide for its expenditure.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for observance of Memorial Day.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the payment of a proper charge of an insurance company for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars for the payment of a proper charge of an insurance company for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for liability insurance of its employees.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars for liability insurance of its employees.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars to the Trustees of County Aid to Agriculture to be expended for the Agricultural and Home Economic Extension Service in this county and Town in accordance with the provision of Sec. 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $400.00 to the Trustees of County Aid to Agriculture to be expended for the Agricultural and Home Economic Extension service in this county and town in accordance with the provisions of Section 40-45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 9. To see if the Town will authorize the numbering of houses on any of the streets of the town and make an appropriation for the same.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars for the numbering of houses.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money to be used for the setting of curbing or the building of sidewalks on any of the streets of the Town.

Voted: That the sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated with the abutters on both sides of the street paying a like sum to build and construct curbing and cement side walks of suitable width on said street known as Bridge Street, North Agawam; such sum to be raised by taxation during current municipal year.

Article 11. To see if the Town will accept Reed Street and Virginia Avenue as public streets.

Voted: To leave in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 12. To see if the Town will accept Monroe Street and Willard Avenue as public streets or take any action thereto.

Voted: To leave in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to increase its Police force or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: To leave in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to cancel the $2,000.00 unused bonds of the Springfield Street School authorized in 1924: and the $4,000.00 unused bonds of the North Agawam School authorized in the year 1925.

Voted: That the Treasurer be authorized to cancel $2,000.00 unissued bonds of the Springfield Street School authorized in 1924 and the $4,000.00 unissued bonds of the North Agawam School authorized in 1925.

Article 15. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to give Charles H. Churchill a quit Claim deed to all its rights, title and interest in a certain parcel of real estate situated at the Northwesterly corner of North Westfield and North Streets.

Voted: That the Selectmen be authorized and empowered to sign, acknowledge and deliver to Charles H. Churchill a quit claim deed of land described in a deed given by Willard Grosvenor

to the inhabitants of the Tenth School District, in the Fourth Parish in Feeding Hills, then the Town of West Springfield dated November 23, 1883 and recorded in Hampden County Registry of Deeds Book 97, Page 333.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to construct and build a sewer on Elm and Mill Streets from the ends of the present sewer on Elm Street for a distance of approximately 1100 feet at an estimated cost of $4,500.00 and appropriate money for the same, or take any action appertaining thereto.

No Action taken.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the purchase of a truck, a tractor, a road grader and any other special equipment for the highway department and appropriate money for the same or take any action thereto.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 18. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $200.00 to pay for the drainage damage incurred in the rebuilding of Main Street in 1926 or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $200.00 for drainage damage in 1926.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 provided the State and County will each appropriate a like sum for the rebuilding of Meadow Street with stone, brick, block or other pavement of similar lasting character and provide for raising the money by taxation or otherwise, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: That the Town appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for the rebuilding of Meadow Street with stone, block, brick or other permanent pavement of similar lasting character provided the County of Hampden and the State of Massachusetts will each appropriate a like amount for said street: of which amount the sum of five thousand dollars shall be raised by

taxation during the current municipal year and in order to raise the remaining ten thousand dollars the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and is hereby authorized to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not exceeding ten thousand dollars, under authority of the General Laws and Amendments thereto so that the whole sum shall be paid in not more than two years from the date of issue of the first bond or note, or at such earlier time as the Treasurer and Selectmen may determine. (Unanimous Vote.)

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $15,000.00 provided that the State and County will each appropriate a like sum for rebuilding Westfield Street with stone, block, brick or other pavement of similar lasting character and provide for raising the money by taxation or otherwise, or take any action relating thereto.

No action taken.

Article 21. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $10,000.00 or any other sum to be raised by taxation for the construction of so called permanent highway to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: That the Town appropriate the sum of $10,000.00 to be raised by taxation for the construction of so called permanent highway on School Street.

Article 22. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $50.00 for the care of North Cemetery.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $50.00 for the care of North Cemetery.

Article 23. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow during the current municipal year beginning January 1, 1927 in anticipation of the revenue of the said year such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town.

Voted: That the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1927 to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of the tax levy of 1926 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Article 24. To make the necessary appropriations for the coming year.

Voted: To appropriate and raise by taxation the following amount:

Schools	$130,000.00
Care of the Poor	5,500.00
Highways and Bridges	20,000.00
Town Office	4,000.00
Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector	2,500.00
Police	3,500.00
Health	2,000.00
Sealer of Weights	600.00
Inspecting of Animals and Meat	900.00
Assessors	2,500.00
Fire Department	4,500.00
Moth Extermination	300.00
Forestry	800.00
Libraries	400.00
Town Buildings	2,000.00
State Aid	100.00
Sewers	1,500.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00
Interest	22,000.00
Debt	32,000.00
Street Lights	9,500.00

Maple and Bridge Street construction from excess, income tax of 1926, $9,540.00 and $10,000.00 unissued bonds or notes to be cancelled.

Appropriated under previous articles:

Memorial Day	150.00
Surety Bonds	350.00

Liability Insurance	400.00
County Aid to Agriculture	400.00
House numbering	100.00
Sidewalks and curbing	1,000.00
Drainage Damage	200.00
Special Highways: Meadow St. (conditionally)	5,000.00
Special Highways: School St.	10,000.00
Care of North Cemetery	50.00

Article 25. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: That the Moderator appoint a committee of three, one member from each Precinct of this Town, to consider the need of and the method of securing a zoning law for the Town of Agawam. This committee to report at a special Town Meeting not later than September 1, 1927. (Harold Atwater, William A. Duclos and Alvin R. Kellogg appointed a committee.)

Voted: To adjourn.

Special Town Meeting

MARCH 12, 1927

Meeting called to order and warrant read by the Town Clerk at three o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger unanimously elected.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand dollars for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise acquiring additional land for school purposes, pass any vote or take any action relative thereto.

Voted: That we appropriate from the excess and deficiency fund the sum of six thousand dollars ($6,000.00) for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise acquiring for school purposes three parcels of land now owned by Edwin M. Hitchcock, Earnest A. Randall and Frank G. Lee.

Tract No. 1 known as the Lee property and commencing at a point on the northwesterly line of the present High School lot about 379 feet from Main Street at the intersection of land of one Ely and of said Lee and running northwesterly along land of said Ely and others about two hundred feet to an iron bar; thence running southwesterly about seventy-five feet to land of E. A. Randall; then southeasterly along land of said Randall about two hundred feet to said School property; then northeasterly about seventy-four feet to place of beginning, containing 15,000 feet of land more or less.

Tract No. 2 known as Randall property and commencing at the intersection of land of E. A. Randall, F. G. Lee and High School land and running northwesterly along land of said Lee about two hundred feet to an iron bar, thence southwesterly about sixty-nine feet to land of one Hitchcock; thence southeasterly along land of said Hitchcock about two hundred feet to said School property; thence northeasterly about seventy feet to place of beginning containing 14,000 feet of land more or less.

Tract No. 3 known as Hitchcock property and commencing at the intersection of land of E. A. Randall, Edwin M. Hitchcock and High School land and running northwesterly along land of said Randall about two hundred feet to an iron pin; then southwesterly about two hundred and forty-seven feet to land of Henry W. Fitch; then southeasterly about one hundred and fifty feet to an iron bar at the corner of land of said Fitch; then in a southerly direction about one hundred and eight feet to land of one Tait; thence southeasterly along land of said Tait about sixteen feet to School land; thence northeasterly about three hundred and forty-nine feet to place of beginning, containing 52,615 feet of land more or less.

131 voting in the affirmative and 120 in the negative, not a two thirds vote.

Article 3. To see if the Town will purchase or take land from E. M. Hitchcock, E. A. Randall and F. G. Lee for school purposes, pass any vote or take any action relative thereto.

Voted: That the Selectmen be instructed to purchase or take in behalf of the Town for School purposes three parcels of land, bound and described as follows: same property as described in previous vote.

170 voting in the affirmative and 80 in the negative.

Voted: To adjourn.

Special Town Meeting

JUNE 20, 1927

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger was unanimously elected Moderator.

Article 2. To see if the Town will accept Reed Street as laid out by the Selectmen as a Town Way.

Voted: To accept Reed Street as laid out by the Selectmen as follows; Beginning at the intersection of the northerly line of said Reed Street, so called with westerly line of Main Street in said Agawam and thence running in a westerly direction along said northerly line of Reed Street so called, 1380.96 feet to the center of a street called Virginia Avenue; thence in a southerly direction fifty (50) feet to the southerly line of said Reed Street so called; thence in an easterly direction along the southerly line of said Reed Street 1403.20 feet; thence in a northerly direction fifty (50) feet to the place of beginning.

Article 3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of six thousand ($6,000.00) dollars for the purpose of purchasing or otherwise acquiring additional land for school purposes; pass any vote or take action relative thereto.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 4. To see if the Town will purchase or take land from E. M. Hitchcock, E. A. Randall and F. G. Lee for School purposes, pass any vote or take any action relative thereto.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the proper grading of High School property.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred ($500.00) dollars for grading the High School lot.

Article 6. To see if the Town will take any action toward the rebuilding of the lower end of Maple Street so that it will conform with present construction of Maple and Bridge Streets and make an appropriation for the same.

Voted: That the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) be appropriated for the hardening of the lower end of Maple Street in North Agawam to conform with the present construction of upper Maple Street and Bridge Street. Said $2,000.00 to be raised by Taxation during the current municipal year.

Article 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: That the Moderator appoint a committee of six to investigate and report recommendations upon purchase of an athletic field, at some special town meeting.

Committee appointed as follows: J. Leo Roy, Edwin L. Talmadge, Clifford M. Granger, Riley S. Farnsworth, Clark B. Jones and Harry N. Abell.

Voted: To adjourn.

Special Town Meeting

AUGUST 16, 1927

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

James F. Kirby elected Moderator.

Article 2. To hear and act upon a report of the Zoning Committee.

Voted: That the Moderator appoint a committee of three, one from each Precinct of the Town to prepare a zoning by-law for the Town of Agawam. This committee to employ such help as may be necessary and to report at a later Town Meeting.

Article 3. To see if the Town will take any action upon the recommendation of the Zoning Committee and to appropriate a sum of money to carry out said recommendations.

Voted: That the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) be and is hereby appropriated to be expended by the Zoning By-law Committee in the preparing of zoning by-laws and the necessary maps for the Town of Agawam; said sum to be taken from the excess and deficiency fund.

Committee appointed under Article 2 were: Harold C. Atwater, William A. Duclos and Alvin R. Kellogg.

Article 4. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: To adjourn.

Special Town Meeting

SEPTEMBER 28, 1927

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside.

Clarence H. Granger elected Moderator.

Article 2. To see if the Town will appropriate an additional sum of four thousand dollars to the sum previously appropriated at the last Annual Town Meeting for the construction of Meadow Street under the same conditions of said vote and provide for the raising of said sum.

Voted: That the sum of four thousand dollars in addition to the sum already appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting be appropriated for the construction of Meadow Street under the same terms and conditions of the previous vote, and that this money be taken from the excess and deficiency fund.

Article 3. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of two thousand ($2,000.00) dollars for curbing and sidewalk on the easterly side of Bridge Street in North Agawam and provide for the raising of said sum.

Voted: That the sum of two thousand ($2,000.00) dollars be appropriated for the purpose of constructing curbing and sidewalk on the easterly side of Bridge Street commencing at Maple Street, one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) of the above sum being that amount included in the levy of 1927 for sidewalks and one thousand ($1,000.00) to be taken from the excess and deficiency fund. It being intended that a reasonable amount not exceeding

one half the cost of said work shall be assessed upon the abutting estates.

Article 4. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: To adjourn.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1927

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Jan. 3	Geraldine E. Johnson	David and Mildred Shauer
Jan. 5	Eugenia M. Tessicino	Salvator and Mary Saracino
Jan. 7	Julia Woishinis	John and Anna Audrysz
Jan. 10	Barbara Peters	William A. and Irene DeForge
Jan. 14	Richard A. Westlake	Elmer H. and Gladys L. Colby
Jan. 16	Pasquale Misisco	Michele and Rossina Tricinella
Jan. 20	Marjorie S. Fisher	Charles H. and Sadie E. DeGowin
Jan. 22	Lawrence A. Powers	Ernest and Jennie M. Perusse
Jan. 22	William D. Kaskeski	Walter and Anna Rastiborka
Feb. 4	Gilbert H. Tatro	Roy B. and Margaret B. Bangs
Feb. 6	Elaine M. Soper	Erwin J. and Elizabeth A. Ashe
Feb. 11	Ernest E. Scoville	Philo G. and Eleanor Campbell
Feb. 13	Deloris Borgatti	Ettore and Madiline Rossi
Feb. 13	Barbara A. Peterson	Ralph S. and Mary Rasmusson
Feb. 22	George W. Bingham	James K. and Edith Hoy
Feb. 23	Ernest G. Bruso	Alfred J. and Mary A. Daigle
Feb. 28	Donald G. Wright	Robert and Alice V. Costine
Mch. 4	Carmella Bava,	James and Martha Bailey
Mch. 10	Herbert A. Robertson	LeRoy C. and Dorothy L. Morris
Mch. 11	Dwight M. Crosier	Robert A. and Myrtie Cooley
Mch. 13	William C. Marshall, Jr.	William C. and Helen Merry
Mch. 23	Eleanor C. Castellini	John J. and Laura J. Poggi
Mch. 28	Robert W. McCann	Willard J. and Mary Houlahan
Mch. 30	Donald M. Burnett	Major M. and Catherine Houlahan
Apr. 1	Linford A. Bovat	William A. and Anna Jergenson
Apr. 6	George A. Armstrong	Arthur and Ruby Whitlock
Apr. 8	Jean R. Webster	George and Phoebe Simons
Apr. 15	Pasqualina Calabrese	Luigi and Giovanina Rosso
Apr. 17	Ester L. Mercadante	Anthony and Carman Christopher
Apr. 19	Carlo G. Lovotti	Luigi and Carina Chantle
Apr. 27	Jennie Giordano	Charlie and Mary Grimaldi
May 4	Edward A. Letendre	Silvio R. and Irene Ducharme
May 8	Baby Rising	William D. and Florence Duclos
May 10	Lena M. Rasfenitti	Alexander and Angelina M.————
May 11	Rodney R. Thompson	Louis A. and Irene Y. Lachapelle
May 13	Barbara L. Harris	Sterling B. and Mildred K. Norton
May 14	Nicholas Santonello	Patrick and Jennetti Caparilli
May 16	John J. Keane	John J. and Florence M. Orton
May 20	Thomas P. McNamara	Thomas P. and Margaret A. Cummings

May	23	Irving L. Chidsey	Irving L. and Blanche Tate
May	25	Elizabeth M. Quinlan	Albert A. and Cora B. Jerdo
May	25	Frank D. Viens	Frank and Rose A. LaCour
May	26	Roger F. Hynes, Jr.	Roger F. and Anna M. MacKeagon
May	27	Jean A. Demarais	Emile E. and Ethel Gregory
May	31	Francis C. Perusse	Francis C. and Lillian M. Racine
June	7	Brewster H. Potter	Cyril T. and Sarah G. Brewster
June	9	Evelyn Giordano	Ralph and Leulla Bugbee
June	11	Jerome S. Zwicker	William and Ethel G. Labb
June	12	Emillia Longo	Romato and Michelina Buoniconti
June	13	Frances L. Slowek	Frank and Frances Smus
June	17	Gloria C. Dearnley	Fred and Josephine P. Balbyga
June	21	Harold H. Shaylor	Harold W. and Isabel G. Rivers
June	25	Jean B. Meyer	Stephen A. and Emily G. Schauer
June	30	Valentina Biuso	Luigi and Nunziata Menissari
July	2	Donald A. Rose	Arand M. and Madeline G. Shean
July	2	Jean A. Blackburn	George B. and Vera A. Healy
July	5	Eleanor C. Paro	Ernest and Rhea Vezina
July	6	John S. Saviglia	Salvatore and Commetta Russo
July	7	John Shibley	Joseph and Edna Dewey
July	8	Robert H. Norden	Arthur W. and Irene R. Dame
July	9	Thelma J. Harris	William E. and Etta T. Strong
July	12	Helen T. Shea	John F. and Dehlia Burke
July	14	Joann Ristaini	Michael and Lucy Ferrero
July	16	Harry F. Dalton	Harry J. and Beatrice Francis
July	16	Robert D. Dalton	Harry J. and Beatrice Francis
July	16	Shirley Balboni	Fernando and Anna Chiarini
July	23	Douglas M. Trevallion	Nelson and Nettie Sturm
July	25	Alice L. LaMontagne	George and Viola Paro
July	29	———— Ambrose	Robert and Mabel Duclos
July	31	———— Hamilton	Raymond J. and Rose Mengis
July	31	Alice E. Barker	Earl and Gladys Farnsworth
Aug.	8	Howard A. Campbell	Andrew K. and Edith Scoville
Aug.	25	Ronald G. Heywood	Ralph M. and Hazel I. Boyea
Aug.	26	Shirley E. Hawthorne	Robert D. and Margaret Hawthorne
Aug.	29	George Mazza	Gaetano and Maria Fazio
Aug.	30	Doris H. Govoni	Paul and Katherine Montagna
Sept.	2	Earnest Provost	Edward and Elmira Westcott
Sept.	4	Donald E. Jenks	Bertley C. and Myrtle E. Sparks
Sept.	6	Fern S. Dearnley	Walter R. and Viola A. Mohnder
Sept.	7	Katherine Sheriden	Thomas J. and Orilla A. Brooks
Sept.	10	Dorothy A. Perusse	William E. and Bessie O. Stone
Sept.	15	George E. Nagelin	Alois and Cora I. Preston
Sept.	21	Alice M. Broico	Guiseppi and Anotoinette Barbato
Sept.	22	Joyce M. Granger	Sidney and Rebecca E. Cesan
Sept.	22	Josephine DiLullo	Theodore and Virginia Grimaldi
Sept.	23	Doris J. Lang	Joseph and Margaret Grusen
Sept.	26	John Y. LePage	Yvonne and Grace Debien
Sept.	26	Janet R. Jasmin	Henry F. and Blanch Lenkie
Sept.	26	Jeanne B. Jasmin	Henry F. and Blanch Lenkie
Sept.	27	Harold DeForge	Jasper P. and Catherine M. Connor
Sept.	29	Jean E. Adams	Paul J. and Jemima Graham

Sept.	30	Jean L. Snell	James E. and Alice Lyman
Oct.	5	Ray W. Ekendarger	Ray D. and Barbara Dart
Oct.	19	Anita C. Lucia	Peter and Rose Chriscolo
Oct.	23	Elsie M. Wood	Leon S. and Edna A. Wile
Oct.	29	Rose Tassinari	Evo and Josephine Borgatti
Oct.	30	Angelo P. Zanotti	Premo and Threse Musselli
Nov.	2	Edward Borgatti	Alesimo and Margaret Melloni
Nov.	5	Ester H. Penna	John and Lucy Meninellono
Nov.	8	Nino Pompa	Carmine and Moriah A. Gamella
Nov.	11	Edward D. Gallerani	Arsenio and Emaline Balboni
Nov.	12	Eleonora K. Cirillo	Frank and Katherina Cavallero
Nov.	24	Raymond Desibian	Alfred and Lillian Loranger
Nov.	25	Norma C. Massa	Frank and Clementina Scherpa
Nov.	28	Jean Draghetti	Mario and Catherine Strowsky
Nov.	30	Elizabeth Lucci	Giuseppe and Elizabeth Fanella
Dec.	1	Annie Assid	Michael and Elizabeth Sarkis
Dec.	1	Ashley R. Cooley	Ashley R. and Edna Stacy
Dec.	4	Henry Stepanik	John and Mary Skop
Dec.	5	———— Stapleton	Thomas H. and Rose D. Bertrand
Dec.	16	Richard S. Beaudry	Arthur W. and Mildred E. StCyr
Dec.	23	Eugene R. Guyott, Jr.	Eugene R. and Eveline D. Armstrong
Dec.	27	Edward S. Green	Tom and Mary Menier
Nov.	26	Bulah A. Campbèll	Chester J. and Amarilis Johnson
Nov.	1	Thomas E. Rice	Thomas B. and Anna M. Saunders
Nov.	12	Kenneth F. Duclos	Lawrence L. and Rhea M. Reilly
Nov.	29	Vesta B. Porter	George W. and Kate Adams

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1927

Date and Place of marriage	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence
January 1	Charles E. Munson	New York, N. Y.
West Springfield	Esther C. Caldon	Agawam
January 10	Jack Szewczyk	Springfield
Springfield	Fanny V. Statkum	Agawam
January 12	Eugene R. Goyette	Holyoke
Agawam	Donaldo E. Armstrong	Agawam
January 12	Evo Tassinari	Agawam
Agawam	Josephine Borgatti	Agawam
January 22	Ceaser Loncto	Agawam
Agawam	Irene L. Jarvis	Agawam
January 26	John Porcheddo	Springfield
Agawam	Katherine Borgatti	Agawam
January 31	Weyman E. Maxwell	Agawam
Agawam	Hazel Secord	Agawam
February 2	Howard S. White	Springfield
Agawam	Ethel F. Reed	Springfield
February 5	Walter Dearnley	Agawam
Meriden, Ct.	Viola A. Mohnder	Springfield
February 19	Chester J. Campbell	Agawam
Agawam	Amarilis H. Johnson	Agawam
February 22	Russell J. Lorette	Springfield
Agawam	Evelyn L. Couture	Agawam
February 24	Harold H. Shaylor	Agawam
Agawam	Isabel G. Larieviere	Agawam
February 24	Joseph Briaca	Springfield
Springfield	Antonetta Barbato	Agawam
February 26	Anthony Fasulo	Agawam
Springfield	Salvina Olearo	Agawam
February 28	Richard J. Bovat	Agawam
Agawam	Bernice Menard	Southwick
March 12	Alfred E. Leveille	Agawam
Monson	Josephine M. Barbero	Agawam
April 16	Harold Hutchinson	Springfield
Agawam	Emily J. Hull	Agawam
April 16	Henry E. Channell	Agawam
Agawam	Edith M. Smith	Agawam
April 18	Joseph J. Borgatti	Agawam
Springfield	Anna F. Siano	Springfield
April 23	Leonard A. Johnson, Jr.	Agawam
Springfield	Beatrice E. Daley	Agawam

April 23	Pietro Mieli	Springfield
Springfield	Florence DeChristopher	Agawam
April 24	Robert D. Hawthorne	Agawam
Longmeadow	Margaret Hawthorne	Springfield
April 25	Joseph E. Tisdel	Agawam
West Springfield	Rose V. Wilson	Agawam
April 30	Emerson E. Mosher	Springfield
Agawam	Jessie A. Sanderson	Agawam
May 2	Efin Soroka	Agawam
Springfield	Olga Klinovich	Springfield
May 14	Steven J. Smanski	Springfield
Springfield	Helen Sussman	Agawam
May 21	Giovanni Daglio	West Springfield
Springfield	Clara Guidetti	Agawam
May 26	Patsy J. Giordano	Springfield
Springfield	Mary A. Maloni	Agawam
May 27	George W. Chestnut	Agawam
Agawam	Esther C. Nichols	Springfield
June 1	George Loncto, Jr.	Agawam
Springfield	Eva M. Scagliarini	Springfield
June 6	John B. O'Brien	West Springfield
Agawam	Florence L. Morin	Agawam
June 14	Arthur J. Goyette	Longmeadow
Agawam	Lea G. LaBonte	Agawam
June 15	Felix A. Favreau	Brighton
Springfield	Marie A. Gagnon	Agawam
June 18	Andrew K. Campbell	Agawam
Agawam	Edith B. Scoville	Agawam
June 20	Emerson H. Campbell	Agawam
Springfield	Merilda D. Asselin	Springfield
June 22	James Jasmin	Agawam
Agawam	Anna Spinks	Springfield
June 28	Pasquale Liquori	Agawam
Agawam	Catherine Walozak	Chicopee
June 28	Alfred Serra	Agawam
Springfield	Alice F. Bencivenni	Springfield
June 29	Albert J. Drake	Southwick
Agawam	Myrtle E. Storey	Southwick
July 2	Allesmo Borgatti	Agawam
Agawam	Margaret Melloni	Agawam
July 12	Edward C. Fitzgerald	Agawam
Palmer	Teresa A. Powers	Wilbraham
July 20	Ludovico C. DeCaro	Springfield
Springfield	Julia R. Barbero	Agawam
July 27	George C. Smith	West Springfield
Agawam	Gladys Eastman	Agawam
August 4	Peter M. Draghetti	Agawam
Agawam	Katherine Stomski	Westfield
August 13	Arthur A. Ferrero	Agawam
Agawam	Jennie Castelli	Agawam
August 13	Melvill LaRiviere	Agawam
Agawam	Eva Gemme	Agawam

August 27	Harry J. Meldrum	Springfield
West Springfield	Mary E. Kane	Agawam
September 1	Antonio J. Ferrero	Agawam
Springfield	Margaret Corgnati	Springfield
September 3	Bernard Santaniello	Springfield
Springfield	Eneritta DeChristopher	Agawam
September 4	Howard F. Pease	Middlefield
Springfield	Jessie M. Hill	Agawam
September 5	Angelo J. Poggi	Agawam
Springfield	Carrie E. Taffurelli	Springfield
September 5	Charles F. Hill	Agawam
Agawam	Exilda Menard	Agawam
September 6	Roland A. Sheperd	Springfield
Agawam	Mildred L. Welcome	Springfield
September 24	Otto V. Ewig	Springfield
Agawam	Lillian E. Sunden	Agawam
September 27	Walter E. Longey	Agawam
West Springfield	Louise Pepperill	West Springfield
October 1	Frederick C. Hawkes	Agawam
Agawam	Gladys E. Maxwell	Agawam
October 11	Raymond L. Hauff	Agawam
Springfield	Violet Voltz	Springfield
October 12	Benjamin J. Victorick	Agawam
Springfield	Nellie Check	Agawam
October 15	Nicholas Depalo	Springfield
Springfield	Frances A. Buoniconti	Agawam
October 16	Leon K. Harhavy	New York
Springfield	Nadia Juke	Agawam
October 26	Lawrence L. Tisdell	Agawam
Springfield	Lydia Mercury	Springfield
October 31	Samuel T. Johnson	Agawam
Springfield	Frances I. Riley	Springfield
November 16	Antonio O. Pajer	Agawam
Springfield	Marion E. Kervick	Springfield
November 17	Homer J. Paro	Agawam
West Springfield	Eleanor J. Thompson	Agawam
November 17	Tony Masciotra	Springfield
Springfield	Searaphine DiLullo	Agawam
November 24	Frank J. Cahill	Agawam
Springfield	Jessie E. Crammond	Springfield
November 24	Frank Tassistro	West Springfield
Agawam	Josephine Risley	West Springfield
November 24	William P. Guidi	West Springfield
Agawam	Helen L. Fox	Westfield
November 24	Leon J. Delaney	West Springfield
Agawam	Elise B. Denarais	Agawam
November 24	John Peretti	Agawam
Agawam	Rose Broggi	Agawam
November 29	Clifford C. Scoville	Agawam
Agawam	Mary M. Bitgood	Agawam

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1927

Date of Death		Name of Deceased	Age y	m	d	Cause of Death
Jan.	17	Rosa Barbato		7		Mengitis
Jan.	22	Laurence A. Powers			1	Insufficiency
Jan.	23	Emelia M. Cebrelli	22	1		Septicemia
Jan.	27	Albert H. Brown	77	4	12	Shock
Jan.	29	George J. Chase	75	9	2	Apoplexy
Feb.	7	Gladys B. Chamberlain	46	6	15	Carcinoma
Feb.	8	Ida A. Howard	62	6		Sclerosis
Feb.	17	Daniel J. Collins	61			Apoplexy
Feb.	23	Hattie M. Clark	59	9	9	Hemorrhage
Feb.	20	Samuel D. McVeigh			6	Hemorrhage
Feb.	20	Harriett J. Wrisley	77	6	28	Pneumonia
Feb.	25	Spencer F. Leonard	53	9	24	Heart Disease
Mar.	1	Mary L. Patnode	75	11	29	Pneumonia
Mar.	5	Charles H. Flower	63	4	6	Pneumonia
Mar.	6	William M. Brooks	56	1	8	Chronic Myocarditis
Mar.	19	Nettie C. Wilcox	83	1	27	Acute Bronchitis
Mar.	19	Patrick St. John	49			Chronic Myocarditis
Apr.	2	Gloria Buoniconti		9		Bronchitis
Apr.	3	Annie F. Curran	47			Diabetes
Apr.	3	Julia B. Van Wormer	86	2	23	Pneumonia
Apr.	21	Esther Brissette	2	9	17	Post Dipheritis
Apr.	22	Sumner L. F. Fancher	47	7		Appendicitis
Apr.	23	Charles Petro	50		23	Tuberculosis
Apr.	25	Pauline T. Zilinsky	19	8	15	Septicemia
May	8	Emma H. Van Hollen	59	2	20	Chronic Nephritis
May	11	Baby Rising			3	Uremia
May	12	Agnes B. Charivat	49	3		Uremia
May	23	Hannah C. H. Pierce	82	3	9	Acute Dialation of heart
May	26	Emma A. S. Morrill	83	11	2	Lobar Pneumonia
June	2	David Bernhardt	61			Tuberculosis
June	6	Mary Shea	53			Myocarditis
June	14	Adelaide Montagna	77			Nephritis
June	17	Julia P. Hull	80	11	22	Arteris Sclerosis
June	21	Elvira M. Brooks	86	2	7	Apoplexy
July	6	Joseph Casgrove	50			Hypertrophic
July	7	Frank J. Pomeroy	78	7	17	Carcinoma of Stomach
July	10	Edward Sjostrom	59	4	8	Chronic Myocarditis
July	12	Conrad Hagale	69			Chronic Nephritis
July	13	Marvel E. Hawthorne	16	4	23	Pneumonia

July	23	Helen H. Schoolcraft	55			Fracture of skull
July	26	Solomon N. Abell	70			Angina Pectoris
Aug.	5	Albert Graziano	16	4		Lightning shock
Aug.	5	Josephine Green	14	1	11	Lightning shock
Aug.	12	Baby Corriveau			1	
Aug.	13	Charlotte M. L. Devine	18			Organic heart disease
Aug.	22	Charles E. Gengenbach	59	3	22	Carcinomia of kidneys
Aug.	27	Evelyn Bingham	2	2	10	Malnutrition
Aug.	31	Carl F. Lund	36			Cardia Hypertrophy
Sept.	22	Samuel K. Creelman	70	1	21	Carcinomia of Larynx
Oct.	6	Franklin M. Eames	81	8	21	Arterio Sclerosis
Oct.	6	Emma M. Jerome	69	2	9	Carcinoma of stomach
Oct.	12	Annie E. L. Hastings	74	5	18	Chronic Myocarditis
Oct.	19	Sellim W. Gunn	73	7	7	Cerebral Arterio Sclerosis
Nov.	8	Mary A. Dailey	65			Chronic Nephritis
Nov.	17	Ella M. Phinney	75	3	18	Carcinoma
Dec.	13	Mary S. Wilson	45	1	18	Carcinoma
Dec.	13	Silvio Champigney	13	10	26	Shell wound
Dec.	14	Jean Barbara Jasmin		2	18	Malnutrition
Dec.	15	Thomas M. Shea	75			Myocarditis
Dec.	16	Ariadore K. Smith	84	2	29	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Dec.	17	Oreste Luccardi	28	3		Epilepsy
Dec.	20	Noena C. Massa			26	Cholera Infantum
Dec.	23	Raymond Desibian			29	Status Lymphaticus

Statistical Report

Births recorded	128
Marriages recorded	71
Deaths recorded	75
Mortgages recorded	20
Others recorded	5
Dogs licensed	693
Sporting licenses issued	461
Marriage licenses issued	66

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Town Clerk

Report of the Accounting Officer

To the Honorable the Board of Selectmen:

The annual report of the Accounting Department, covering the financial transactions of the Town of Agawam for the year of 1927, is herewith submitted:

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1926

Cash	$ 7,763.51	
Taxes, 1922	305.53	
Taxes, 1923	2,357.78	
Taxes, 1924	8,117.47	
Taxes, 1925	45,383.62	
Taxes, 1926	106,178.07	
a/c Receivable Co. Aid to Highways	15,000.00	
Water Rates	5,624.33	
Water Entrances	690.08	
Tax Titles	147.51	
Loans Authorized	16,000.00	
Revenue Loans		$80,000.00
Surplus War Bonus		2,701.14
Overlay, 1924		4,640.70
Overlay, 1925		1,184.61
Overlay, 1926		1,842.09
Water Revenue		6,831.42
Tax Title Revenue		147.51
Excess and Deficiency		55,209.42
Maple and Bridge Street pavement		29,965.13
Springfield Street School		2,000.00
North Agawam School		5,711.06
Water Maintenance		12,334.82
Water Main Construction		5,000.00
	$207,567.90	$207,567.90

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE—TAXES

Current Year		
Property	$139,891.13	
Polls	2,016.00	
		$141,907.13
Previous Years		
Property	$ 95,228.44	
Polls	762.00	
		$ 95,990.44
From State		
Corporation	$ 5,899.49	
Bank	54.36	
Income	34,376.40	
Soldiers' Exemption	28.52	
Trust Co. Tax	67.84	
		$ 40,426.61

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Licenses	$ 1,344.00	$ 1,344.00

FINES AND FORFEITS

Court	$ 1,860.00	
Sheriff	11.50	
Departmental penalties	113.00	
		$ 1,984.50

GRANTS AND GIFTS

From State		
Aid to Industrial schools	$ 1,036.80	
From County		
Dog licenses	1,223.92	
		$ 2,260.72
All Other General revenue		330.00

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Privileges		
Public Service	$ 106.17	$ 106.17

DEPARTMENTAL

Selectmen	$ 1.00	
Collector	95.90	
Sealer weights and measures	104.43	
Tuberculosis	21.00	
Sewer	600.75	
Highway	35.00	
Reimbursements for relief		
Individuals	5.00	
Other cities and towns	32.29	
		$ 895.37

Departmental		
From State and County for Aid to Highways	43,962.10	
		$ 43,962.10

Soldiers' Benefits		
State Aid	$ 96.00	
		$ 96.00

SCHOOLS

Tuition and Transportation of State wards	$ 395.57	
Other Tuition	250.00	
Miscellaneous	339.50	
		$ 985.07

LIBRARIES

Fines	$ 84.26	
		$ 84.26

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Water		
Sale of water	$ 19,185.78	
Miscellaneous	2,146.00	
		$ 21,331.78

INTEREST

Deposits	$ 230.87	
On Deferred taxes	6,881.43	

Cemetery	31.84	
Library	818.91	
		$ 7,963.05

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Anticipation of Revenue loans	$200,000.00	
Highway Loan	10,000.00	
		$ 210,000.00
Premiums received on Highway loan		37.00

REFUNDS

General departments	$ 10.52	
Accrued interest	8.89	
		$ 19.41
Total cash receipts		$ 569,723.61
Cash on hand January 1, 1927		7,763.51
Total cash and receipts		$ 577,487.12

RECAPITULATION

Receipts for the year 1927 from		
General Revenue	$284,243.40	
Commercial Revenue	2,166.87	
From State and County to Aid Highway construction	43,962.10	
Water Department	19,185.78	
Other Public Service	2,146.00	
Interest	7,963.05	
Municipal Indebtedness		
Anticipation of Revenue loans	200,000.00	
Highway loan	10,000.00	
Premium on Highway loan	37.00	
Refunds	19.41	
Cash on hand	7,763.51	
		$ 577,487.12

PAYMENTS
GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Legislative		
Moderator	$ 5.00	
Other expenses	50.35	
		$ 55.35

Executive		
Salaries Selectmen	$ 925.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	5.91	
Travel	40.00	
		$ 970.91
Auditing Department		
Town Audit	$ 50.00	
Accounting officer	375.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	42.88	
		$ 467.88
Treasury Department		
Salaries and wages	$ 1,380.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	75.32	
Surety Bond	107.50	
All other expenses	33.70	
		$ 1,596.52
Collector's Department		
Salaries and wages	$ 1,515.75	
Printing, stationery and postage	138.76	
Surety Bond	215.00	
All Other	138.30	
		$ 2,007.81
Assessors' Department		
Salaries and wages	$ 2,369.39	
Printing, stationery and postage	130.61	
		$ 2,500.00
Other Finance Office and accounts		
Printing	$ 20.50	
		$ 20.50
Law Department		
Salaries and wages	$ 510.00	
		$ 510.00

Town Clerk		
Salaries and wages	$ 620.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	43.54	
All other	26.30	
		$ 689.84
Election and Registration Department		
Salaries	$ 210.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	80.56	
All other	70.00	
		$ 360.56
Town Buildings		
Janitor Town Halls	$ 175.50	
Light	290.79	
Repair to Fire building at Feeding Hills	487.00	
Repairing Feeding Hills Town Hall	1,376.85	
Insurance on buildings	251.46	
All other expenses	1.00	
		$ 2,582.60
Total General Government		$ 11,761.97

PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department		
Salaries and wages	$ 2,823.58	
Equipment and repairs for automobile	244.01	
Gasoline and oil	278.08	
All other expenses	162.44	
		$ 3,508.11
Fire Department		
Salaries and wages	$ 1,020.00	
Repair on truck	36.05	
Equipment and repairs	1,642.77	
All other expenses	191.60	
Fuel	303.70	

Light	51.97	
Maintenance of buildings and grounds	1,180.91	
Other expenses		
Telephone	33.05	
Gas and oil	25.70	
Incidentals	20.76	
	$	4,506.51
Inspection		
Sealer weights and measures		
Salary and wages	$ 521.50	
Teams	42.67	
Equipment	16.36	
All other	29.03	
	$	609.56
Forestry		
Insect Pest Extermination	$ 313.96	
Planting and trimming trees	738.90	
Forest Fires	32.50	
	$	1,085.36
Total protection, persons and property	$	9,709.54

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health Department		
General Administration		
Salaries	$ 162.50	
Printing	.52	
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases		
Board and treatment	565.00	
Medicine and medical attendance	25.00	
Bacteria tests	60.00	
Tuberculosis		
Board and treatment	22.29	
Hospital Maintenance	455.58	

Other expenses		
Fumigation	4.40	
Garbage collection	150.00	
Inspection of Animals		
Salaries	199.00	
Other expenses	1.00	
Inspection of Meat and provisions	1,006.00	
		$ 2,651.29
Sanitation (Sewers)		
Labor	$ 715.87	
Pipe and fittings	186.45	
All other expenses	12.38	
		$ 914.70
Total Health and Sanitation		$ 3,565.99

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

General		
Salaries and wages		
Pay rolls	$ 7,404.45	
Teams and automobile hire	316.22	
Gravel, stone, tar, etc.	4,128.67	
Equipment and repairs		
Chevrolet Dump Motor truck	937.00	
Road Machine	450.00	
Two Ton Caterpillar Tractor	1,935.55	
Oil Pump	5.50	
Small Tools	117.37	
Tires	225.82	
Repairs	323.38	
Parts for repairs	13.15	
All other expenses	1,027.95	
Bridges		
Wages	25.00	
Repairs and other expenses	194.96	

Snow and Ice removal		
Salaries and wages		
Pay rolls	575.82	
Teams and auto hire	281.25	
All other	155.30	
	$	18,117.39
Construction		
Completion lower end of Maple St.	$ 1,980.00	
From Walnut and Springfield St. to Agawam Bridge	1,874.50	
Maple and Bridge St.	40,576.45	
Sidewalks and Curbing	1,996.67	
School St. pavement	9,954.70	
Meadow St. pavement	25,334.05	
Total on construction and walks	$	81,716.37
Land Damage		
To Luther P. Davis on Drain	$ 200.00	
Georgana Hamblen Property for damage on Main Street	2,525.65	
	$	2,725.65
Repair of Fences on Highways		
Paint, lumber, etc.		29.80
Street Lighting		9,300.91
Numbering streets		100.00
State Highway tax		2,356.39
Total Highways	$	114,346.51

CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Public Welfare		
General Administration		
Salaries of Overseers	$ 225.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	1.39	
Other expenses	50.00	
Outside relief by Town		
Groceries and provisions	442.91	

Fuel	274.05	
Board and care	1,085.00	
Medicine and medical attendance	239.50	
Cash aid	1,391.50	
Rent and all other	248.99	
Relief by other cities and towns	1,103.32	
Other expenses		
Clothing, shoes, etc.	82.81	
Burial	60.00	
Hospital	119.00	
		$ 5,323.47
Soldiers' Benefits		
State Aid	$ 96.00	
		$ 96.00
Total Charities and Soldiers' Benefits		$ 5,419.47

SCHOOLS

General Administration		
Salary of Superintendent	$ 4,300.01	
Salary of Clerk	1,533.36	
Salary of Truant Officer	525.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	214.72	
Telephone	58.49	
Traveling expenses	190.17	
Supervisors' salaries	3,560.00	
All other General expenses	182.00	
		$ 10,563.75
Teachers' Salaries		
High	$ 17,153.50	
Elementary	60,627.70	
		$ 77,781.20
Principal's salary	$ 2,700.00	
		$ 2,700.00
Text Books and Supplies		
High		
Text and reference books	$ 1,050.81	
All other	1,058.33	

Elementary		
Text and reference books	2,687.57	
All other	1,957.13	
		$ 6,753.84
Tuition		
Elementary	$ 1,130.63	
Vocational	352.50	
		$ 1,483.13
Transportation		
Elementary	$ 6,643.44	
		$ 6,643.44
Support of Truants	$ 7.43	
		$ 7.43
Janitors' Services		
High	$ 1,567.43	
Elementary	6,865.96	
		$ 8,433.39
Fuel and Light		
High	$ 1,056.46	
Elementary	6,333.65	
		$ 7,390.11
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds		
High		
Repairs	$ 502.14	
Janitor's supplies	29.42	
All other	252.21	
Elementary		
Repairs	2,659.80	
Janitor's supplies	42.94	
All other	892.84	
		$ 4,379.35

Furniture and Furnishings		
High	$ 1,106.24	
Elementary	649.02	
		$ 1,755.26
Other expenses		
Diplomas and graduation exercises	$ 69.83	
Miscellaneous printing	12.22	
All other	50.87	
		$ 132.92
Health		
High	$ 200.00	
Elementary	1,776.12	
		$ 1,976.12
Total Schools		$ 129,999.94

LIBRARIES

Salaries and Wages		
Librarians	$ 300.00	
Assistants	16.37	
Books and Periodicals		
Books	1,111.75	
Periodicals	14.85	
Fuel and light	9.18	
Buildings		
Furniture	27.60	
Repairs	23.58	
Other expenses		
Stationery and postage	7.92	
Printing	1.15	
Express	1.48	
All other	9.30	
Total Libraries		$ 1,523.18

UNCLASSIFIED

Damage to Persons and Personal Property	$ 1.58	
Memorial Day	150.00	
Aid to Agriculture	400.00	
Printing Town Reports	354.72	
Survey for addition to High School lot	106.00	
Liability Insurance	393.60	
Zoning and Rules Committee	500.00	
Grading High School lot	300.00	
Tax sale by collector	104.99	
State Auditing tax	33.76	
		$ 2,344.65

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Water Department		
Salaries and wages		
Superintendent	$ 1,404.00	
Clerical	500.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	171.47	
All other	2.00	
Maturing Bonds	5,500.00	
Interest on Bonds	3,733.75	
General		
Labor	300.00	
Teams	176.39	
Pipe and fittings	3,126.63	
Equipment	1,441.41	
Water purchased	3,221.63	
All other	8.79	
Service Pipe		
Labor pay rolls	1,442.38	
Pipe and fittings	869.86	
All other	312.35	
Total Water Department		$ 22,210.66

CEMETERIES

Care of North Cemetery	$ 50.00	
		$ 50.00

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

Interest		
Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue	$ 5,764.88	
General Loans		
High School loan	9,250.00	
Schools	3,786.25	
Bridge Loan	2,320.00	
Highway Loans	960.00	
Sewer Loan	680.00	
Total Interest		$ 22,761.13
Municipal Indebtedness		
Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue	$180,000.00	
High School	13,000.00	
Other School loans	8,000.00	
Bridge Loan	4,000.00	
Main St. Highway Loan	6,000.00	
Sewer Loan	1,000.00	
Total Municipal Indebtedness		$ 212,000.00

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

State Tax	$ 13,320.00	
County Tax	11,733.33	
Income Davis Library Fund	783.89	
Total Agency		$ 25,837.22

REFUNDS

National Bank Tax	$ 4.66	
		$ 4.66
Total Payments		$ 561,534.92
Cash on hand December 31, 1927	$ 15,885.34	
Cash in Public Trust Funds	66.86	
Total cash on hand		$ 15,952.20
Total cash and payments		$ 577,487.12

RECAPITULATION

Payments for year 1927		
General Government	$ 11,761.97	
Protection to Persons and Property	9,709.54	
Health and Sanitation	3,565.99	
Highway Department	114,346.51	
Charities and Soldiers' Benefits	5,419.47	
Schools	129,999.94	
Libraries	1,523.18	
Unclassified	2,344.65	
Public Service Enterprises	22,210.66	
Cemetery	50.00	
Interest and Maturing Debt		
Interest	22,761.13	
Municipal Indebtedness	212,000.00	
Agency Trust and Investment	25,837.22	
Refunds	4.66	
Cash and Other Public Trust funds	15,952.20	
Total payments and cash		$ 577,487.12

TRIAL BALANCE AFTER CLOSING BOOKS DECEMBER 31, 1927

Cash	$ 15,952.20	
Taxes 1923	73.87	
Taxes 1924	755.67	
Taxes 1925	9,572.33	
Taxes 1926	55,596.07	
Taxes 1927	110,418.56	
Accounts Rec. County and State Aid to Highways	21,000.00	
Schools	32.00	
Sidewalks and curbing	652.58	
Water Rates	4,635.29	
Water Entrances	691.38	
Tax Titles	310.00	
Revenue Loans		$ 100,000.00
Overlay 1924		3,991.30
Overlay 1925		1,184.61
Overlay 1926		1,842.09

Overlay 1927		970.27
Trust Fund Income		66.86
Departmental Revenue		32.00
Zoning and Rules Committee		500.00
Water Revenue		5,326.67
Tax Title Revenue		310.00
Excess and Deficiency		59,052.90
Meadow Street pavement		31,665.95
Land Damage	2,525.65	
Libraries		100.00
Grading High School Lot		200.00
Water Maintenance		16,972.95
	$222,215.60	$222,215.60

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Approp.	Expend.
Assessors	$ 2,500.00	$ 2,500.00
Town Buildings	2,000.00	2,582.60
Town Clerk, Treas. and Coll.	2,500.00	2,500.00
Town Office	4,000.00	3,791.17
Surety Bonds	350.00	322.50
Forestry	1,100.00	1,085.36
Fire Department	4,500.00	4,506.51
Police Department	3,500.00	3,508.11
Health	2,000.00	1,446.29
Highways and Bridges	20,000.00	20,021.69
Schools	130,000.00	129,999.94
Public Welfare	5,500.00	5,323.47
Sealer	600.00	609.56
Inspector of Meats and Animals	900.00	1,205.00
Libraries	1,623.92	1,523.18
State Aid	100.00	96.00
Sewers	1,500.00	914.70
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	567.29
Street Lights	9,500.00	9,300.91
Interest	22,000.00	22,761.13
Debt	32,000.00	32,000.00
Memorial Day	150.00	150.00
Liability Insurance	400.00	393.60
County Aid to Agriculture	400.00	400.00
House Numbering	100.00	100.00
Sidewalks and Curbing	2,000.00	1,996.67
Care of North Cemetery	50.00	50.00
Meadow Street Construction	19,000.00	25,334.05
School Street Construction	10,000.00	9,954.70
Drainage damage	200.00	200.00
Grading High School lot	500.00	300.00
Maple Street Construction	2,000.00	1,980.00
Zoning	1,000.00	500.00
Maple and Bridge Street Construction	44,540.00	40,877.92

Treasurer's Report

Year Ending December 31, 1927

Cash on hand January 1, 1927		$ 7,764.51
Receipts 1927		569,723.61
Total		$577,487.12
Payments 1927		$561,534.92
Cash on hand December 31, 1927		$ 15,952.20

TRUST FUNDS

Whiting Street Fund		
On Hand January 1, 1927		
Cash	$ 1,034.11	
Securities	5,500.00	
Received		
Income from fund	341.29	
Premium on securities	20.00	
		$ 6,895.40
Paid orders of Trustees	$ 243.66	
Accrued interest	21.67	
Discount on securities	30.00	
Safe Deposit box	7.50	
On Hand December 31, 1927		
Cash	1,092.57	
Securities	5,500.00	
		$ 6,895.40

Desire A. Pyne Fund

On Hand January 1, 1927		
Securities	$ 2,000.00	
Cash	131.81	
Income	91.00	
		$ 2,222.81
Expenditures		
For Worthy Poor	$ 37.00	
On Hand December 31, 1927		
Securities	2,000.00	
Cash	185.81	
		$ 2,222.81

Phelon School Fund

On Hand January 1, 1927		
Securities	$ 4,150.00	
Cash	624.85	
Income from fund	179.23	
		$ 4,954.08
On Hand December 31, 1927		
Securities	$ 4,150.00	
Cash	804.08	
		$ 4,954.08

Maple Grove Cemetery Fund

Securities on Hand	$ 500.00	
		$ 500.00

Davis Library Fund

Income for 1927	$ 825.15	
		$ 825.15
Expenses	41.26	
Paid to F. A. Worthington, Treas.	783.89	
		$ 825.15

Phelon Library Fund

On Hand January 1, 1927		
Securities	$ 500.00	
Income	35.02	
		$ 535.02

On Hand December 31, 1927			
Securities	$	500.00	
Cash		35.02	
		$	535.02
Old Cemetery Fund			
Securities on hand January 1, 1927	$	700.00	
Income		31.84	
		$	731.84
On Hand December 31, 1927			
Securities	$	700.00	
Cash		31.84	
		$	731.84

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Treasurer

LIABILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 1927

Fifteen bonds of $1,000, payable annually, Oct. 1, 1928-1942, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%, water loan .....$	15,000.00
Bonds of 1913 water loan, payable $3,500 annually, July 1, 1928-34, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	51,000.00
1916 Schoolhouse loan, $1,000, payable annually, July 1, 1928-34, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	7,000.00
1917 Schoolhouse loan, $1,000, payable annually, Sept. 1, 1928-32, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	5,000.00
Sewer bonds of 1916, payable $1,000 annually, Dec. 1, 1928-43, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	16,000.00
Water bonds of 1917, payable $1,000 annually, Oct. 1, 1928-42, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	15,000.00
High School bonds, $13,000 anuually, Sept. 1, 1928-31; $12,000 anuually, Sept. 1, 1932-41, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 5%	172,000.00
Schoolhouse loan of 1924, payable $3,000 annually, June 1, 1928-30; $2,000, June 1, 1931-44, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4¼%	37,000.00
Memorial Bridge loan, payable $4,000 annually, Oct. 1, 1928-30; $3,000 annually, Oct. 1, 1931-44, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	54,000.00

Highway loan, payable $2,000 annually, Oct. 1, 1928-33, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	10,000.00	
Schoolhouse loan of 1925, payable $3,000 annually, June 1, 1928-40, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	38,000.00	
Highway loan of 1925, payable $4,000 annually, June 1, 1928-29, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	8,000.00	
Meadow Street loan of 1927, payable $5,000 annually, Nov. 15, 1928-29, to Old Colony Corporation, at 4%	10,000.00	
Temporary loans	100,000.00	
		$538,000.00

REPORT OF

Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Board of Health

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The needs of this department are influenced by so many different conditions that it is hard to foretell the first of the year what the needs of the twelve months will be.

Twenty-nine families have been aided, some for the entire year and others for a few days only.

Sickness has been the cause of many applying for aid and unemployment another main cause.

We have done better than we expected at one time as we were able to charge other towns and cities for several expensive cases.

HIGHWAYS

During the past year Meadow Street was started with the cooperation of the State and County, and will be finished early this Spring.

This relieves one of our worst streets and is an improvement which will be appreciated by all. Maple and Bridge Streets were completed on the same basis.

We wish to take this occasion to urge upon the voters the advisability of carrying on this permanent highway work with the State, County and Town paying one-third each as long as we can get their cooperation.

Springfield Street from the Agawam Bridge to the intersection of Walnut Street was torn up and rebuilt; Springfield Street the entire length and Walnut Street were resurfaced, which puts them in good condition for a number of years.

During the year we purchased a new two ton Tractor with a snow plow to go with it, which puts us in good shape for any

snow storm which might come. We also got a new road scraper and new truck and have rebuilt the back of the Feeding Hills Fire Station for a garage, which was much needed.

We strongly recommend continuing buying equipment and putting the Highway Department up to date as we have a good start now and in the end it is the only way to keep abreast of the times with the demands which are now made upon our highways.

BOARD OF HEALTH
For 1927

We have lived up to our reputation as a good healthful town to live in. We have had a few scattered cases of scarlet fever, diphtheria, chicken-pox, measles, etc., but nothing that could be called an epidemic.

Our tuberculosis cases are always expensive but we have been fortunate as to the number.

Considering all things we have had an exceptionally good year.

GILES W. HALLADAY
CHARLES W. HULL
JAMES F. KIRBY

Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Health

Report of the Chief of Police

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you the annual report of the Police Department from May 1, 1927, to December 31, 1927, inclusive.

ARRESTS

Assault	4
Assault with a dangerous weapon	1
Alien in possession of fire arms	1
Automobile violations	13
Breaking and entering and larcency	7
Breaking and entering	3
Breach of the peace	3
Cruelty to animals	2
Drunkenness	30
Fugitive from justice	1
Hunting without license	1
Illegal shooting of song birds	2
Insane	1
Larceny	3
Liquor violation	13
Malicious destruction of property	2
Non-support	3
Peddling without license	1
Stubborn child	1
Vagrancy	1
Violation of probation	7
Total number of arrests	100

DISPOSITION

Continued day to day	3
Discharged	3
Defaulted	1
Filed	2
Fined	44
House of Correction	3
Lyman School	1
Northampton (Insane Hospital)	1
Joined Army	1
Probation	6
Restitution	8
To other Police	1
Shirley	3
State Farm	5
Suspended Sentences	6
Released	7
Pending	5
Total	100

Total Amount of Fines Imposed	$ 1,893.00
Total Amount turned back to Town Treasury	1,515.00
Restitution	465.00
Defaulted	1,000.00
Value of Stolen Property recovered	150.00
Stolen Automobiles Recovered (5) Value	2,000.00

It is extremely gratifying to me to render this, my first Police Report. I believe that today the Town is in a fairly clean condition, although there is much more work to be done.

Police work can only be accomplished efficiently through cooperation, and I take this opportunity to thank the Board of Selectmen, the State Police, the Special Police and Public at large for the assistance and cooperation rendered.

In the past season we have had a number of automobile accidents, two of which resulted in fatalities, but in each case the driver has been apprehended and brought before the Courts. We have had a number of cases of Breaking and Entering and Larceny, both in places of Business and Dwelling Houses, but I am

pleased to state that these have been taken care of and the Guilty punished.

There is much that should be done on our Highways in the interest of Safety, and I am in hopes that something can be accomplished along this line the coming season.

Respectfully submitted,

PERLEY J. HEWEY,

Chief of Police

Report of Tree and Forest Warden

SHADE TREES

Owing to severe storms and winds the past season we have had several costly jobs in removing broken trees and debris, but fortunately no very heavy damage occurred.

When removing dead and worthless, we replant where necessary with new ones and as many more as possible with the funds at our disposal will permit of.

Last season we sprayed our elm shade trees for the first time in a number of years and it made a great improvement in foilage and appearance throughout the season and would advise spraying them again the coming season.

Last year $200.00 was appropriated for this purpose, and although the work cost somewhat more, your servant would recommend the same amount for 1928.

MOTH WORK

Last year your servant in conjunction with State moth men planted several colonies of gypsy moth parasites in the worst infested places. Some planted in 1926 are multiplying and feeding on moth caterpillars and we hope eventually will control them, especially in the woodland where our worst trouble will be in the future.

As the young caterpillars are blown by strong winds and carried by automobiles, your servant believes it will be almost impossible to exterminate them. However, we can control them by scouting or parasites or both.

Expense, Moth Work

Scouting	$285.50
Spraying	28.46
	$313.96

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 1928

For Moth Work	$ 300.00
Spraying Shade Trees	200.00
Tree Warden	600.00
	$1,100.00

Respectfully sumitted,

EDWIN M. HITCHCOCK,

Tree and Forest Warden

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Selectmen of Agawam,

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report of work done for the year.

Articles sealed	531
Condemned	106
Food inspections	153
Correct	73
Under weight	41
Over weight	39

A percentage of under weight (.267%) which is too high.

Peddlers have been brought under some control this year; it should be made complete.

I wish to thank our Chief of Police for the help he has rendered.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN U. LEONARD,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Board of Fire Engineers

For the Year Ending December 31, 1927

In submitting our annual report we first wish to thank you for the substantial increase in the appropriation which you granted us for 1927.

We were able to do some very much needed repairs on the three Fire Stations. At Feeding Hills a first class heater was installed and is giving entire satisfaction. The exterior of the building was painted two coats, and a sign placed on the building. All of these things have added to the stations an improvement which will last for a number of years. The station at North Agawam was given two coats of paint, and some minor repairs on the heating system were made. Repairs on heater at Agawam Center were also made. At Agawam Center the Station was given two coats of paint both inside and out, and a sign similar to the one at Feeding Hills was placed over the double doors on the front of the building. Following a lead taken by the Feeding Hills Company last year equipment boxes and ladder racks were made and placed on the trucks of North Agawam and Agawam Center. These add neatness to the trucks and also are an aid to efficiency.

New coats were purchased which are greatly appreciated by the men to whom they were issued. And we hope to see the three units of the department so equipped in the near future. 600 feet of 2½ inch double jacket fire hose was purchased, also 600 feet of 1½ inch single jacket hose. The firemen who have used this latter size hose are pleased with it and express a desire to see more of it as part of their equipment.

Just a word in regards to Fire Prevention. As far back as records are available, the year 1927 stands out in Big Red Letters. More calls were made on the department than ever before.

While these words might sound bold, many of these calls were for fires that had a motive behind them that was far from honest. Some of these have been proven, others are pending. In one case two attempts were made to destroy a building; the second one accomplished it. Another case, no one we feel sure, connected with the dwelling were at fault, but nevertheless it was a total loss when the department reached the scene.

We wish to thank the members of the three companies for the very efficient and unselfish manner in which they have served the Town of Agawam. We suggest the hydrants be installed in the more thickly settled parts of the town. This in time will reduce the amount of hose which will have to be laid to control fires.

This report would not be complete without calling attention to the way in which the men of Company No. 3, Agawam Center, got out and collected a sum of money and purchased a fire siren, which they erected on a tower in the rear of their station. Thanks is also given to the residents of this fire district whose support made this movement a success. The installation of this siren has made it possible for the men in this Company to gather at the scene of a fire much quicker than formerly. While the number of boxes at present is only three it is hoped in time to increase them and possibly install a code system.

Following is a list of calls made upon the department for the year 1927:

Dwellings	26
Barns	10
Garage	1
Boat	1
Chimneys	19
Grass and brush	32
Automobiles	5
Dump	2
False	7
	103

These calls were distributed as follows:

For Company No. 1, North Agawam	25
For Company No. 2, Feeding Hills	27
For Company No. 3, Agawam Center	51
	103

Total loss		$ 50,925.00
Value of property saved		67,050.00
	Loss	Saved
At North Agawam	$ 7,400.00	$15,000.00
At Feeding Hills	22,300.00	29,000.00
At Agawam Center	21,225.00	23,050.00
Total	$ 50,925.00	$67,050.00

Sincerely,

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN, Chairman
RILEY S. FARNSWORTH, Pur. Agent
FRANK T. GOSS, Secretary

Assessors' Report

In submitting our annual report we call attention to a favorable increase in valuation during the past year. A considerable number of new homes have been built since the last report, and real estate transfers indicate a continuance of this development.

During the year we have begun work on assessment maps which we hope to continue as rapidly as possible. The preparation of these plans will be of material assistance in equalizing taxation and should prove of cumulative financial value to the Town.

Your attention is called to the provisions of law relative to the filing of property lists between April first and May fifteenth of each year. Your compliance with this will materially assist the Assessors in making an equitable adjustment of valuations.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Horses	334
Cows	591
Sheep	22
Neat cattle	112
Swine	395
Fowls	10,560
Value of Fowls	$10,560.00
Houses	1,458
Acres of Land	14,142

VALUATIONS

Buildings	$4,779,653.00	
Land	2,856,772.00	
Total Real Estate		$7,636,425.00

Personal Estate		1,237,151.00
Total Valuation		$8,873,576.00

Upon which taxes have been levied as follows:

County Tax	$ 11,733.33	
State Tax	13,320.00	
State Highway Tax	2,356.39	
State Auditing Tax	33.76	
Overlay Deficit (1922)	1,050.78	
Town Appropriations	265,750.00	
Overlay for Current Year	995.99	
		$ 295,240.25

Less estimated receipts:

Income Tax	$ 24,570.12	
Corporation Tax	5,800.00	
Bank Tax	95.00	
Licenses	1,500.00	
Fines	1,000.00	
Highways	100.00	
Charities	250.00	
Soldiers' Benefits	75.00	
Schools	2,000.00	
Libraries	50.00	
Interest on Deposits	200.00	
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	7,000.00	
Rentals	500.00	
		$ 43,140.12

Net amount raised on Polls and Property	$ 252,100.13
Number of Polls—1,820 at $2.00 each	$ 3,640.00
Tax on Personal and Real Estate at $28.00	248,460.13
To Henry E. Bodurtha, Tax Collector, was committed for collection, the sum of	$ 252,100.13
Omitted assessments	251.28
	$ 252,351.41

Abatements allowed	44.52
	$252,306.89

ADOLPHUS PROVOST,
CLARENCE H. GRANGER,
PAUL B. JOHNSON,

Assessors

Report of Tax Collector

1927

Tax Committed	$252,100.13	
Omitted assessments	251.28	
		$ 252,351.41

Cash paid the treasurer	$141,907.13	
Abatements	25.72	
Uncollected taxes	110,418.56	
		$ 252,351.41

Previous Years

Adjusted balance, January 1, 1927	$163,241.91	163,241.91

Paid Treasurer	95,990.44	
Abatements	1,253.53	
Uncollected, December 31, 1927	65,997.94	
		$ 163,241.91

Auditor's Report

February 23, 1928

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector for the year of 1927 as set forth in his annual report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief they are correctly and accurately recorded.

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD,

Auditor

REPORT OF

Board of Water Commissioners

RECEIPTS

From Water Rents	$ 19,185.78	
From Water Connections	2,146.00	
		$ 21,331.78

EXPENDITURES

Superintendent	$ 1,404.00	
Printing and postage	171.47	
Other administration	502.00	
Labor	1,742.38	
Teams	176.39	
Meters and freight on same	900.66	
Repairing meters	145.68	
Water Gates	215.25	
Furnace	149.00	
Small Tools	30.82	
Water	3,221.63	
Pipe and Fittings	3,996.49	
All other	321.14	
Bonds and Interest	9,233.75	
		$ 22,210.66

WALTER S. KERR
D. M. CROWLEY
JOHN L. BURKE

Water Commissioners

REPORT OF THE

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE COOPERATING WITH THE HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE 1927

To the Voters of Agawam:

Agawam annually appropriates $400 to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, cooperating with the Hampden County Improvement League. This sum is used to help defray expenses of the Extension Service in this town.

Through the County Agent assistance has been given to over seventy-five farmers and townspeople. This has been varied, such as furnishing plans for fruit storage, poultry houses, assisting in making applications for Tuberculin Test, and advice in dairying, poultry, crops, and fruit growing. Several are members of the Herd Improvement Association, and several are successfully growing alfalfa according to instructions from the County Agent.

The Home Bureau Agents had work in Agawam, West Agawam, and Feeding Hills. They had six projects, 18 meetings and a total attendance of 284 women. This work was aided materially by the Home Bureau Committee Mrs. H. Preston Worden, Mrs. L. A. Snow, Mrs. George Toussaint, and in Feeding Hills Mrs. C. A. Sunden, Mrs. Frank Belden and Ethel Snow, also the local leaders Mrs. Norman Winters, Mrs. Elsie Frilen, Mrs. W. C. Mumford. West Agawam Mrs. John O'Brien, Mrs. George Chestnut, and in Feeding Hills Mrs. W. J. O'Connor, Mrs. M. Etta Stebbins, Mrs. Harry Brown, and Mrs. Frank Belden.

There was an enrollment of 206 in the boys and girls 4-H Club work with members in each community. According to the project reports the boys and girls made a profit of $2,184 and in addition won $626 in cash prizes at the Eastern States Exposition

and other fairs. Agawam club members won two out of twelve county championships. Much credit for this showing is due to the local leaders, Miss Edith C. Hull, Mrs. Lee Jenks, Miss Marion Allen, Miss Emily McCormick, and Mrs. Anna Petithory.

Harold Atwater, H. A. Marotte and Lee Jenks are town directors of the League, and Mrs. Dwight Hawley is director at large.

We respectfully request a continuation of this appropriation and the cooperation of the citizens of Agawam.

HERMON W. KING,
GEORGE S. COOK,
MRS. J. P. KIRBY,
MRS. W. G. DWIGHT,
HARRY C. LANE,
R. F. McELWAIN,
HORACE A. MOSES,
FRED D. ROGERS,
FRED'K A. UPHAM,

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture,

By: P. A. Campbell, Clerk

Report of Library Trustees

BOOKS

Number at Agawam	7,931
Number at Feeding Hills	5,384
Number at North Agawam	1,695

CIRCULATION

Agawam	13,376
Feeding Hills	9,806
North Agawam	7,431

BORROWERS

Agawam	650
Feeding Hills	422
North Agawam	658

CLARENCE H. GRANGER
ANNA H. RUDMAN
IDA BERNATCHEZ

Library Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

School Committee

and the

Superintendent of Schools

of the Town of

AGAWAM, MASS.

For the Year Ending December 31

1927

Agawam Public Schools

ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD

Clifford M. Granger, Chairman — Term expires 1929
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

Mrs. Grace B. Reed — Term expires 1929
Post Office Address, Agawam

Joseph L. Roy — Term expires 1930
Post Office Address, Mittineague

Sidney F. Atwood, Secretary — Term expires 1930
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

Arthur Rudman — Term expires 1928
Post Office Address, Agawam

Harry A. Spaight — Term expires 1928
Post Office Address, Agawam

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Benjamin J. Phelps
Telephone: 5-7219-R

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1928

Winter Term—January 3 to March 30
Spring Term—April 9 to June 8, Elementary Schools
Spring Term—April 9 to June 15, Junior-Senior High School
Fall Term—September 4 to December 21

OFFICE HOURS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

High School Building—School Days, 8.30-9.00 A. M., and by appointment.

SECRETARY

Emma Mellor
Telephone 2-7176

HOURS OF SESSIONS

Elementary Schools
9.00—12.00 A. M.
1.00— 3.30 P. M.

Junior High School
9.00—12.00 A. M.
12.30— 3.00 P. M.

Senior High School
9.00 A. M.—12.30 P. M.
1.00— 3.00 P. M.

REPORT OF

School Committee

We again present to you our annual report as a Committee. We do not intend to weary you with a catalog of the achievements of your schools during the year just closed, but we would, at this time, like to bring to your attention a few problems that must be considered in 1928.

In our 1927 report we spoke of the need of making some provision to care for our mentally retarded school children. All the neighboring towns and cities are providing special instruction for that type of pupil and it seems imperative that Agawam adopt at once a definite policy in this matter. Within the last month the Agent of the State Board of Education has written to our Superintendent regarding our failure to maintain special classes for those pupils. In view of the attitude and recommendations of the State department it does not seem possible for us to put off action in this matter much longer. These backward pupils should have a major part of their training along Manual Training and Domestic Science lines. That of course means new and expensive equipment, together with highly trained teachers. At present we have no room at any one central point where such pupils could be handled.

Therefore, if we are to do what we ought to do for these mentally retarded boys and girls, now dragging along with our regular classes, money must be appropriated to provide for them proper school accommodations and special equipment and instruction.

For some time past we have been talking about either improving or adding to our present High School Athletic Field.

This problem has been aired thoroughly in our recent town meetings so that we do not need to dwell on it at any great length. The last time this topic was up for discussion a committee of six was appointed to make further investigations. We hope that Committee will have some definite and feasible recommendations to make at our annual town meeting. The longer this matter is delayed the more expensive it will be.

We are again obliged to report crowded conditions in some of our schools. The High School Building, with adequate accommodations for 400 pupils, is now handling upwards of 450 boys and girls. We have this year, as we did last, an overflow room at the Springfield Street School. At the opening of school in September we had at the "Plains" School the largest enrollment of any grade school in town. As a result we had to transfer a number of pupils to the North Agawam School. The solution of the difficulty there was not an ideal one but was the only thing that could be done at that time. In 1928, with more houses in that section being occupied, our congestion of pupils in that school will be too great to handle efficiently by the painful process of transferring the overflow to other schools. We have been adding rooms to our grade schools pretty regularly for the past few years and present indications seem to point to a continuance of that policy as a part of our regular school program. As a committee, we hesitate at this time to make a definite recommendation for new school units. However, something must be done at once to provide better and more adequate school facilities for our rapidly increasing school population. We might adopt either of two plans. An addition to our High School Building would increase our accommodations there so that the congestion in the grade schools would be relieved. This solution would very likely give us, in certain central schools, rooms which we could equip for handling our mentally retarded pupils. On the other hand, we might provide new additions at the "Plains" School and at Agawam Center. This plan would not remedy conditions at The High School very much though it would provide increased school accommodations elsewhere. Some towns are using portable wooden schools for regular school work and also for special classes of backward pupils. But in our judgment that seems to be an inadequate, inefficient and unsatisfactory way of handling pupils. Perhaps it might be well at the annual town meeting to have a

Committee appointed to investigate the needs of the school and report their findings and recommendations at a later meeting.

In spite of the considerable increase in our school population we were able to operate our schools without exceeding the amount of money given us by our 1927 budget. For 1928 however, a larger sum must be provided for the support of our schools. The amount of money Agawam receives from the State on account of the schools is larger every year. In 1926 we received more than $15,000 and in 1927 the amount was about $19,000. Every dollar coming to our town from the State lessens the amount to be raised for schools by local taxation. And the higher the attendance average in the Agawam schools, and the more trained and experienced teachers we carry on our teaching staff the greater our annual dividend from State funds. Consequently we must maintain high standards in our school system if we wish substantial returns from the State Department.

As the years pass by it seems to us as a Committee that each succeeding year brings a more cordial support of school policies by parents and citizens of Agawam, and we are truly grateful for such enthusiastic cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

S. F. ATWOOD,
JOSEPH L. ROY,
GRACE B. REED,
HARRY A. SPAIGHT,
ARTHUR RUDMAN,
CLIFFORD M. GRANGER.

Financial Statement of Schools

December 31, 1927

General Expense	$ 6,794.93
Expense of Instruction	84,041.20
Text Books	3,205.66
Stationery, Supplies, Miscellaneous	3,558.73
Janitors	8,433.39
Fuel	6,446.13
Miscellaneous operating expense	1,884.83
Maintenance—repairs, etc.	3,051.40
Library	54.32
Health	1,976.12
Transportation	6,643.44
Tuition	1,483.13
Miscellaneous Expense	309.94
Outlay—New equipment	2,116.72
Total	$129,999.94

Superintendent's Report

To the School Committee of Agawam:

Gentlemen: I hereby submit my report as Superintendent of Schools for the year ending December 31, 1927.

It has been my practice in past years to take some comprehensive subject pertaining to school supervision and, with that as a measuring rod, make a short survey of our schools. Last year, my topic was "The Agawam Public Schools in the Light of an Equal Educational Opportunity." This year, I have selected as my measuring stick the phrase "Economy of Time in the Administration of Schools." From that viewpoint, then, I desire to offer to you another brief survey of your schools. I will present also one other topic; namely, "Enriching the Curriculum." The reports from the various heads of departments, and the usual school statistics will conclude the report.

1. ECONOMY OF TIME IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGAWAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

There are many opportunities in the management of schools to conserve time—by which is meant in this report—to so arrange the order of things that our pupils will lose as little time as possible in adjusting themselves to the schools and gain as much time as possible in order to perfect themselves in their studies. Some of these opportunities present themselves under the following headings:

1. Schedules
2. Books and Supplies
3. Medical Inspection and Health Supervision

4. Teaching Staff. (a) Experience of (b) Turnover (c) Health of (d) Substitutes.
5. Curriculum Revision
6. Classification of pupils
7. Promotions
8. Attendance
9. Extra Curricula Activities—Schedule of

1. Schedules

Our schedules for each coming school year are made out during the spring term. This procedure is of great benefit, especially to high school boys and girls for they are well aware, months beforehand, what decisions they have made in respect to their studies. When school opens in September, they are all set for the occasion and, in consequence, there is no delay in beginning work on the first day of school. It is a pleasure to report that in our high school such was the case last September. The first lessons of the year were assigned for all pupils at 10.00 A. M. on the opening day.

2. Books and Supplies

Books and supplies are very important tools with which the pupils must work and without which very little work is accomplished. Much valuable time may be lost and the flood tide of the pupil's interest may have passed, because of an unwarranted delay in giving out books and supplies.

In our elementary grades, in June each grade is given supplies sufficient for the first month of the new school year. In August of the summer vacation all the books and supplies for the coming school year are placed in each building. This is a profitable procedure insofar as time saving is concerned.

3. Medical Inspection and Health Supervision

During the final weeks of the spring term some of the prospective school children living at Agawam Center and in the Plains section were given a physical examination, and in many cases vaccinated. It is hoped that all children of pre school age in Agawam can be given the medical examination and vaccinated during the month of May, 1928. The great value of this pre school examination consists in the fact that it is a time saver.

Vaccination, removal of tonsils and adenoids, care of teeth, and other needed medical care, when exercised during the school year use up valuable time. I recommend that our school nurse and doctor be given the authority to cooperate with the parents of all of our prospective school children to the end that the physical examination be given, and corrective medical measures taken before the opening of the new school year.

Dr. Chamberlain, our school physician, entered upon his duties with praiseworthy vigor and enterprise with the result that all of the 1631 pupils in our schools received their medical examination before the first of November. Such prompt action on his part has made it possible for Mrs. Black, the school nurse, to realize what follow up work was necessary.

During the past school year our schools have been unusually free from contagious disease. This situation has not come about by chance, but is the result, for the most part, of painstaking supervision by Mrs. Black. The cooperation of all teachers and parents in this most important matter has been given without stint. The net result has been a minimum loss of time because of sickness, and a maximum enjoyment of health by most of our pupils.

4. Teaching Staff

Experience: A sound school policy which offers good schedules and furnishes plenty of books and needed supplies, and carefully protects the health of all pupils ought to conserve, in a high degree, the factor of time; but such would be far from the case unless the teaching staff was experienced, progressive and enthusiastic.

Skill is developed by practice—but we must have a care that the practice is along the right lines. Skill is developed much faster, that is, time is saved if the practice is maintained under skillful direction—at this point the teacher's preparation and experience are telling factors. Formation by the pupils of sound habits and skills in school subjects is paramount in the classroom and this work, in its very nature, is of slow process; but it becomes a snail pace when there is the added task of unlearning wrong habits before the right ones can be successfully taught.

The policy of the Committee in hiring teachers of sound training and experience not only saves time for the pupils but also saves money for the Town. The Town of Agawam received this

year from the Massachusetts Income Fund $17,615 on account of the teachers. Fifty per cent of this fund was realized from the training and experience of our teachers. But even if the Town received no such reimbursement whatever, yet it would pay the Town to continue to secure experienced teachers and to keep them in the service, because by such a policy retardation is reduced to its lowest terms and not only is retardation expensive but it is a magnificent dissipator of time.

Turnover: The turnover in your teaching staff for the past year was small, the per cent was 12.72. This is a favorable factor from many points of view. Wherever annually there are many changes in the teaching staff—attended by new adjustments between pupils and teachers— no settled policy in educational procedure can be set up. An unstable teaching staff destroys the confidence of the public and hampers the progress of pupils.

Health: The good health of your teachers has contributed to a high degree in keeping your teaching staff intact.

Substitutes: In the few cases where substitutes have been employed, it has not been necessary to accept the services of second rate teachers.

5. Curriculum Revision

The revision of the curriculum of the Junior-Senior High School is in progress. The articulation of the Junior High with the Senior High is one of the problems engrossing the attention of the educational world at the present time. Here there is grave danger of a duplication of effort, methods and materials, and unwarranted dissipation of pupil energy; and there is the added danger of lack of sympathy between the two departments. These dangers are somewhat minimized in Agawam because the same building houses both schools; the same teachers in some cases teach in both schools and both schools are under the same principal, F. Earl Williams. Mr. Williams has occupied his present position only since last September—long enough, however, to give ample proof that he is capable of uniting and holding together the various elements in the Junior-Senior High School. He is a student of problems in secondary education and is giving valuable leadership in the reshaping of the curriculum.

Under the topic of curriculum revision is given the following report of the progress of the reorganization of the Agawam school system which was started last year. This reorganization centered

itself about the elimination of the 13th grade. In June, 1927, sixty pupils of Grade VIII were promoted to the High School. Thus far they have given a good account of themselves and no apparent loss of standing is in evidence. Forty pupils of Grade VIII were retained in Grade IX-B and will not enter the High School department until September, 1928. The group remaining for the extra year before high school entrance will be smaller this coming September. This situation is expected to continue for three or four years until said division has been eliminated.

6. Classification of Pupils

In connection with the changes in the number of grades comes also a change in the classification of the pupils in the Junior-Senior High School. The pupils in Grades VII and VIII are now classified as Junior High I and Junior High II; Grade IX-A has become Junior High III; Grade X, Senior High I; Grade XI, Senior High II; and Grade XII, Senior High III. The pupils in Grades VII and VIII, now Junior High I and II, are classified also according to ability. At present there are two divisions of Grade VII and three divisions of Grade VIII. Among the advantages attending this classification, and ranking high in worth, is the factor of time saving for the pupils.

The above classification is, in my judgment, sound as far as it goes but it does not go far enough. The stumbling block is lack of room in the Junior-Senior High School building. Because of this lack of room, you have an unbalanced Junior High School department. As the situation stands there are two divisions of the 7th grade in the Junior High building, and three divisions of the 7th grade scattered about the Town as follows:—one division each at Feeding Hills Center, North Agawam and Springfield Street. One solution to this problem is to be found by erecting an addition to the High School structure.

A brief statement of the needs for these additional rooms is as follows: The Junior-Senior High School building is at the present time overcrowded, many of the classes in the Junior High department number more than forty pupils—much too high an enrollment for sound economy of time. When the time comes to admit another class to the Junior High, it will appear that we have more pupils present than we can seat. This situation will lead to part time classes in Junior High I, or Grade VII. Such a method of classification is recognized everywhere as poor econ-

omy of time, and has never been favored by the citizens of Agawam. There is a crying need for more rooms at the Springfield Street School, and at Feeding Hills some of the classes are too large for the best results. If all of the 7th grade pupils should be transported to the High School building, where they are needed to balance the school system, then an additional room would be released for expansion in Feeding Hills and at Springfield Street. Feeding Hills could enroll the six grades for several years, but in all probability the present Springfield Street building can not house the six grades for more than three years.

From the above facts which are self-evident in nature, in the highest interests of economy of time and all that said policy conveys in benefits to our schools, I recommend to the Committee that in the coming school year measures be taken to enlarge our Junior-Senior High School building.

7. Promotions

The table of promotions is given in the statistics accompanying this report. The ideal situation would, of course, be found in a school system that had achieved 100% in promotions. This ideal can be more nearly realized in those cities which are able to maintain a great variety of schools. Under such a condition the different types of pupils can be placed in schools suited to their nature. Their work is then motivated by real interest and their spirits are thrilled with hope. Their progress also is more rapid because little time is wasted. In my last report much emphasis was given to a special school for pupils retarded three or more years. In my judgment, this is an urgent need in Agawam. There are too many boys and girls three or more years retarded who are leaving school because the school is offering no incentive to them.

After all is said and done there are always a few cases of retardation. This is necessary for the good of the pupils concerned. A teacher who promotes a pupil knowing that said pupil has not formed the habits and skills of his present grade to a sufficient degree to warrant that he can build the more difficult habits and skills of an advanced grade on his poor foundation is doing the pupil a great injury. In the end a pupil placed ahead on such a promotion loses the time of two grades instead of one. In other words, the last condition of such a case is worse than the first.

8. Attendance

The per cent of attendance of our entire school system for the school year 1926-1927 was 94.35. This is a good percentage when one contemplates the fact that Agawam is, for the most part, a rural community. We are endeavoring this year, however, to improve that per cent and to that end have doubled the time that the truant officer gives to the work—Mr. Cesan now reports to each school twice a week. All parents, teachers, and pupils are asked to give their cooperation in this worthy endeavor. A high per cent of attendance indicates, at least, that the pupils are spending their time in school—the very place where they should be found.

9. Extra Curricula Activities

In theory all extra curricula activities should be scheduled with the regular school work, but in practice it is not possible to include all of said activities in the formal day's program since the school day is not of sufficient length. The general practice in most high schools incorporates the musical clubs—both glee and orchestra—in the daily program. Such is the case in Agawam. We are not able, as yet, to include our athletics in the daily program, but we consider them to be of great importance and we seek to regulate them in such a way that they may not absorb the time which should be given to the academic part of the school program.

Over-emphasis in athletics is very prone to center about two points; namely, number of games played with outside teams, and the time of playing those games. The following number of games with outside teams is recommended for Agawam:—in football, 6 games; in basketball, 14 games; in baseball, 12 games. There are two conditions under which games may not be scheduled. Midweek afternoon games with teams located a considerable distance from Agawam make it necessary for many pupils to miss their classroom work. Such a loss of school time is not consistent with a sound economy of time program. Basketball games are not scheduled on the evenings of the regular school days, except Fridays—the reason for this restriction is self-evident.

Conclusion

In concluding this report on the subject of "Economy of Time in its Relation to School Administration," allow me to make

the three following recommendations which, in my judgment, would permit our schools to render improved service to our citizens. (1) Permit the School Health Department to make all physical examinations of the pre school children, and provide for the necessary remedial health measures before the children enter Grade I—that is, in the summer vacation. (2) Construct during the coming school year an addition to the High School building of sufficient size to accommodate all seventh grade pupils. (3) Include in this construction program also a room for pupils of Junior High School age who are three or more years retarded.

II. ENRICHING THE CURRICULUM

In the very first chapter of a recent novel,—"Doomsday," Miss Mary Viner, the leading character of the book, when asked as a child why she so disliked school made the significant reply, "Cos one does the same thing every day." We have been endeavoring in Agawam to free ourselves from the possibility of such a grave charge: to do so, however, we must constantly be on the alert. The interest of parents, teachers, and, above all, pupils must be kept alive and growing. The following is an account of our attempt to enrich the daily program—to keep the same from sinking to a deadening level.

Athletics

Our athletics, not because we have had winning teams (both boys and girls—see Mr. Smith's report) but because they have been carried on with a spirit of fairness to all concerned in that the largest possible number of candidates for all teams have been kept on the field and have been given practice under expert direction, have won and held the interest of the student body. How dead a school would be without athletics!

Prizes Won

In our Commercial Department much interest has been created by the typing tests forwarded by the various typewriting companies. The award of pins from such contests has absorbed the attention, not only of the members of the Commercial Department, but also that of the entire Junior-Senior High School. This interest, indeed, was moved to a high pitch when our three representatives in the Valley Typing Contest—a contest involving many of the high schools in this vicinity—won the first three

prizes. Our one representative in the stenography contest brought back the second prize to Agawam High.

Dramatics

In early autumn our high school pupils have, in recent years, shown keen interest in operettas. These operettas also offer an opportunity to a large number of the pupils to engage their energies. This year the Girls Glee Club assisted by the Boys Glee Club presented "Sailor Maids" to a record breaking audience. The money derived from the show was sufficient to purchase a large orthophonic victrola for the high school. By the aid of this machine our music director will conduct a contest in music appreciation—another excursion from the time worn path or track.

In our elementary schools the same type of entertainment has been presented by the children and the proceeds obtained thereby have been used to purchase, in some cases, lanterns and slides and in other cases small libraries of interesting books. Through such a media monotony is dispelled and cheer and sunshine substituted in its place.

Clubs

The various clubs in the Junior-Senior High School contribute to the enrichment of the curriculum, since most of these clubs are organized about some central factor in the curriculum. For instance, the Current Events Club is attached to the English Department; the Leaders Club to the Civics Section; the Science Club to the Science Department; and the College Club to the College Preparatory Department.

The College Club is a new organization in the High School. The members of this Club are expecting to enter higher institutions after graduation, and are now made acquainted with the specific requirements in scholarship and other matters which are helpful to successful college candidates. The first meeting of the Club was held during the last Christmas recess. At that time the Club was addressed by former Agawam graduates now in College. The club members heard from Brown University, Mount Holyoke College, Amherst College and Annapolis College.

The Student Council during the past year has become a potent factor in developing the character and safe guarding the honor of the High School. This Council is a welfare board, the

membership of which—elected from the student body—may not set up innovations without the consent of the superior officers of the School Committee, yet it can and does hold to a high standard the accepted policies of the school. This quickening of the spirit of the school through the membership of the school is most welcome for it is dynamic in nature, not static.

Trips

Field trips are occasionally made by the different classes in science and social studies. These excursions from the confines of the classroom are beneficial not only from the source of first hand information obtained but also from the standpoint of novelty. New places and new faces oftentimes bring new ideas and enrich the experience of the pupil.

Assemblies

From time to time as the various holidays come, and at other times on special occasions assemblies are held for the entire school. These assemblies are in charge of the pupils themselves and all parts are performed by them. These assemblies are worthy of mention in this report in that they have become bright spots in the school program.

Gifts

The High School has been the recipient of many gifts from the various classes enrolled within its doors. These gifts are usually pictures of historical events, or masterpieces of art. They adorn the walls of the classrooms, and by their very presence create an atmosphere which takes the pupil from the commonplace and puts him in touch with the sublime. These gifts are also a constant testimony to the loyalty and devotion of the boys and girls who, unsolicited, gave expression to their interest by such tokens.

The American Legion offered in May, 1927, a prize of $20 in gold to be known as the Dearnley Prize in American History, established in honor of the late Thomas Dearnley. The contest for this prize was open to the Senior Class. The first one to win the honor was Vivian Brown and her subject was "The Causes and Results of the American Revolution."

The Alpha Beta Gamma Society, composed of graduates of the Commercial Course and of undergraduates who have made a

standing of 80% in their scholastic work, offered a prize of $5 to that member of the Senior Class who was judged to be the best all-round business student. Miss Vivian Brown received this prize also.

Our High School is very young, being of but few years standing, and all gifts and prizes are ardently welcomed, for by such means is the school program enriched.

Methods of Teachers

Thus far in my report I have touched upon several points which have contributed to the enrichment of the curriculum. I have selected for my last point the greatest source of enrichment —namely, the method of the teacher. The teacher who is content to teach her subject in the same humdrum way year after year rather than to teach pupils will not contribute much to the enrichment of the program. The teacher who will not give careful attention to the preparation of her daily program will fail to stir the enthusiasm of her pupils.

The curriculum can be enriched most of all by what the teacher brings to her class and by her manner of presentation. There are points of contact between Foreign Languages and our Mother Tongue; between Contemporary History and Ancient History; between Modern Science and the every day life of the pupil; between all literature and life in our very midst. And what is true of the above subjects is for the most part true of Mathematics, Art and Music. The teacher who knows where these points of contact are and so plans her work that they are brought into touch by the pupils in the classroom is performing much for the enrichment of the curriculum.

The enrichment of the curriculum from the above point of view has been the theme of our faculty meetings this past school year. The teachers have given a splendid response to the program, since in addition to their training and experience they are filled with enthusiasm for their cause. The pupils have responded in great measure too, and are constantly bringing in materials useful to enrich the program. There is hardly a classroom in the school system which does not bear evidence of this praiseworthy interest and cooperation.

Such a condition as mentioned above could not come to pass without the unselfish work of the School Committee, and the help-

ful interest of the citizens of Agawam to whom, in closing, I wish to express my appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN J. PHELPS,

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Agawam Schools.

My dear Mr. Phelps:

My short term of office in the Agawam Junior-Senior High School does not warrant a long, detailed report. However, there are a few things that might well be offered.

My congratulations to you in recognition of your excellent educational achievement as evidenced by the present school system are most sincere and spontaneous. The arrangement of the curriculum, the progressiveness of the faculty, and the high morale of the student body bespeak the finest in school administration.

The school year has progressed thus far with no radical changes from last year—and with few modifications. We are making a determined effort this year to crystallize the courses of study so that the different departments can present more unified and inclusive curriculums. Without doubt, such a procedure will tend to bring about greater continuity in each department, and the student will be better able to conceive of his several endeavors as an entity instead of several distinct and disconnected subjects. It is hoped that the altogether too prevalent desire to simply accumulate credits for graduation will be supplanted to a large degree by an attempt to attain proficiency in certain skills, and to foster a more scientific mode of thinking.

Because of the rapid increase in the school's membership, there are already several deficiencies in the physical equipment of the school. For the girls there is a dire need for additional locker space and a larger number of shower bath booths. An adequately appointed dressing room will eliminate the losing of personal property, and will make it possible for each girl to have the necessary bath at the end of the exercise period.

Coming as I did from a school that maintains an unusually effective course in vocational agriculture, I feel qualified to recommend a similar course for this institution. For an agricultural section, the value of such a department is apparent, and it would be all but an impossibility to over-emphasize the merits of this innovation for the encouragement and instruction of students who have a natural inclination for activities agricultural in nature. The reimbursement from the state for offering such a course is very generous, so that the chief expense to the Town would be in providing a suitable laboratory.

It is superfluous for me to add that I am cognizant and appreciative of the many courtesies, and the spirit of general helpfulness tendered me by the entire personnel and members of the school. I can say with a feeling of genuine gratitude that my work here has been entirely pleasant and most satisfying.

Cordially,

F. EARL WILLIAMS

ART

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools, Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

The art work in the schools of Agawam has gone along this year very favorably, much the same subject matter being taught in the grades as last year, but with changes in the high school.

The change in schedule for the supervisors has been very helpful. The teachers in the primary grades, which are visited once in two weeks by the supervisor, are given their lesson plans and models for all inbetween lessons. The upper grades, above the fourth, have their regular weekly lesson with the supervisor. This arrangement, of course, gives more time for work in the Junior and Senior High School. Seven periods are now given to art, where there were but four last year.

The Junior High courses, like those in our leading cities today, are chiefly in Art Appreciation rather than actual drawing and painting. This study of beauty and fine things is to develop good taste; and more intelligent consumers of manufactured articles for personal, home, and community use. This is given through a study of Historic Design, the study of various industries affected by art, and the actual designing of these products. Not only should this knowledge give us better taste in the selection of everyday things; but it should stimulate and develop pupils of special talent who will be needed not only in architecture, painting and decoration, but as designers and craftsmen in the vast industries of our Commonwealth—such as textiles, wall paper, furniture, silverware, metal fixtures, linoleum, etc., likewise the large field of advertising and general illustration.

A new course for boys has been introduced, that of Commercial Design comprising show card writing and all forms of

poster work. Last fall the class visited a very enlightening exhibition of Commercial Art at the Springfield Art Guild.

In November a second large stage drop was designed and painted for the musical presentation "Sailor Maids," as were posters also.

The pictures in the Springfield Street School hall were lowered so that they could be viewed and studied by the smaller children. It is too fine a collection to be hung up out of range of youthful vision.

The illustrations appearing in "The Mirror" this year are the work of high school girls who are in the art class.

I recommend again that some sort of a room that can be used by the drawing classes alone be kept in mind whenever space becomes available. Every special department has its own well equipped room,—the gym, the shop, the domestic science rooms, the auditorium; while art is carried on and executed on biology tables, arms of lecture chairs, desks, and laboratory equipment. We have only an open cupboard and three shelves in the supply room!

I feel that there is an increased understanding and interest in the drawing work in general in all of the grades this year, and I wish to express here my pleasure in working with such an enthusiastic and efficient corps of teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY M. CROWLEY,

Supervisor of Art

MUSIC

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools, Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Music Department of the Agawam Public Schools.

During the year 1927, Agawam Music has followed much the same course as last year, including a basic study of music fundamentals and music reading, music appreciation and song-singing. In addition to the regular music drill of the class and of the individual, we have felt there was need of more intelligent listening, since so many of the children become listeners rather than creators of music. Accordingly we have begun a systematic course of appreciation which is closely allied with song singing, in the first three grades.

In the Junior High School the weekly music classes are conducted by the Supervisor. Most of this time is spent in chorus work but a small part is used for studying the orchestra in order to develop interest in instrumental music. This year the Junior High School has its own orchestra where the players obtain experience before entering the Senior High School Orchestra. In both the vocal and instrumental field, the Junior High shows very promising talent.

Music in the Senior High School consists of the Girl's Glee Club and the Orchestra. The Glee Club numbers one hundred and twenty which, of course, is a large group with which to work. Making the group smaller and training only the best voices was considered but this plan was discarded in favor of giving music to all who desired it. The orchestra has some excellent musicians and can do work of which Agawam may well be proud.

Some of the presentations which have been made by the Music Department are as follows:

February 28, Operetta "Betsy Ross" by the children of the North Agawam School.

April 20, Beethoven Memorial Chapel with an all Beethoven program given by the Faculty and students.

May 18, Glee Club and Orchestra Concert, Agawam High School.

June 16, Recital for Commencement, Orchestra and Glee Club.

November 18, Musical Comedy "Sailor Maids," Agawam High School.

December 23, Appropriate music at the Christmas program of each school.

The new orthophonic victrola, which was bought with the proceeds from the musical comedy, is greatly enjoyed by all and adds much to the efficiency of the music department.

An increase in the classes at High School made necessary a change in the schedule for the supervision of the grade work. The first four grades are visited every week while the higher grades are taught by the Supervisor only once in two weeks. The plan has worked out quite advantageously.

On the whole, music seems to be making very favorable progress, much of which is due to the splendid cooperation of the Superintendent, Principals, Grade Teachers, and various departments of the High School. To them the Supervisor renders hearty thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH PERRY

REPORT OF THE DOMESTIC SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools, Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my annual report of the work done in the Domestic Science Department.

So long as the home is the foundation of society, it will be necessary to train people to establish and maintain the proper kind of homes. With thoughts of the everyday home problems brought to their minds, three large groups of girls from the eighth grade are now interested in learning how to prepare and serve simple, inexpensive dishes. Consideration is also given to habits of cleanliness and order, correct food combinations, table etiquette, and ideals of home management.

The girls are marked not only upon the finished product, but also according to their method of procedure and the necessary part of housekeeping work included. Extra credit is given for home work, which stimulates more interest in the pupils and allows the teacher to become more familiar with the girl's knowledge and use of her classroom instruction.

The cooking exhibit held in June is designed to show samples of the work practiced during the year. A greater time allotment for this work is advisable if such can be arranged.

SEWING

This work is compulsory in Junior High and in the Freshman year of Senior High. It has become a well elected subject among the remaining Senior High School girls whose schedule permits them the necessary time.

The elementary work includes projects simple in construction, but designed to include all of the necessary stitches required for

the more advanced work. Before permitting the girls to make garments requiring stitching, a careful study of the machine is made. Useful articles are planned and materials purchased by each girl, with an aim to satisfy the pupil's needs and desires as far as possible.

The Senior class has been keeping in touch with some of the present day art work by making beaded bags, yarn pocketbooks (which the class also designs), yarn flowers, and silk handkerchiefs done in Plastic Art.

The sewing exhibit in June gives all who are interested a chance to view articles made during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HAZEL C. ALDRICH

MANUAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools, Agawam, Mass.

Dear Mr. Phelps:

I present herewith the report of the Manual Training Department for the past year.

The Seventh grade and other Junior High School classes have constructed articles of furniture which, though simple, were so designed that they created an opportunity for the boys to learn the fundamentals of tool work and cabinet construction. In these groups the theory of wood finishing was studied in connection with the various cabinet woods.

The Freshman boys were permitted to design their projects and time was given to the study of design and construction. These boys, with the permission of their parents, were allowed to use the shop machinery, thereby furthering their knowledge of industrial methods.

The advanced High School classes chose their own problems and were left, as much as was practical, to their own resources in drawing and constructing these problems. This method enabled them to take the initiative in regard to the work. They constructed floor lamps, end tables, radio cabinets, living room tables, magazine racks, bookcases, and other articles of pleasing design.

Throughout the year, the boys gave a great amount of time to the making and repairing of equipment for the school. This equipment included a portable basket for the gymnasium, racks for the lunch room, bulletin boards, bookcases and stage scenery for other departments.

In each class, a small amount of time was devoted to Me-

chanical Drawing and it was offered as a distinct subject in the third and fourth years of High School.

The annual exhibit was held in June.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. DACEY,

Supervisor of Manual Training

PHYSICAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The following is a resume of the work in Physical Education for the past year.

The Director actively supervised all work in the Junior and Senior High Schools for the required two hours per week per pupil—exception being made where the student was excused on presentation of the certificate of a reputable physician. Previous to doing any work, all students were subjected to a physical examination given under the auspices of the Department of Physical Education with the cooperation of the school physician and nurse.

The desire and aim of the work involved is not primarily to amuse the pupils, but rather to train and develop such qualities of mind and body as may better fit them for a well organized scheme of living in the future. The requirements are intended to keep them keen and active for their general school work, and to help them to correct such natural defects as can be remedied by earnest effort.

Included in the regular routine of a class program are marching, calisthenics, apparatus work (heavy and hand), folk dancing, and athletics for all.

All classes are held out of doors in the fall and spring as long as the weather permits—field games and the sports in season are featured; work of a more routine nature is followed during the indoor winter months.

The school is represented in the "Twin State Interscholastic Conference," and members of the faculty are officers of that organization. During the year Agawam won championships in basketball and football, and after playing Palmer for the championship finished second to them in the baseball league.

Interscholastic athletics are a part of the girls' program. Under the inspiring and capable direction of Miss Baker of the Commercial Department, the Agawam girls have made enviable records in field hockey and basketball. Cooperation between departments and worthy representative teams have stimulated a wonderful and unusual school spirit.

The natural equipment is excellent with one exception—for several years the need of increased locker facilities for both boys and girls has been a problem that has caused the department no little inconvenience. This can only be alleviated by the installation of more lockers, and should be arranged before another school year opens bringing probable increased enrollment.

"Health, happiness and efficiency—who can say what this will mean to them in after years?"

Respectfully submitted,

HARMON A. SMITH,

Supervisor of Physical Education

PROMOTION TABLE

School	No. of Pupils on Roll June, 1927	No. of Pupils not Promoted June, 1927
North Agawam	325	31
Springfield Street	321	34
Agawam Center	235	25
Feeding Hills	170	15
West Street	23	1
Suffield Street	29	3
South Street	28	2
Junior High	227	25
Senior High	159	9
	1517	145

Per cent of pupils not promoted—all schools—9.6.
Per cent of pupils in elementary schools not promoted—10.

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE PRESENT SCHOOL YEAR

SEPTEMBER 6—DECEMBER 31, 1927

	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Daily Attendance	Per Cent Attendance	Tardiness
HIGH SCHOOL					
Senior High III	37	36.89	35.98	97.50	37
Senior High II	37	36.12	34.03	94.21	37
Senior High I	45	42.55	40.75	95.77	20
Junior High III	124	118.64	114.31	96.35	43
Junior High IX-1	43	41.46	39.47	95.20	14
Junior High VIII-1	40	38.26	37.22	97.28	11
Junior High VIII-2	42	39.71	38.57	97.13	9
Junior High VIII-3	47	39.19	36.73	93.73	10
Junior High VII-1	29	25.52	24.42	95.69	16
Junior High VII-2	32	28.68	27.60	96.23	10
AGAWAM CENTER SCHOOL					
Grade VI	46	43.14	41.60	96.43	36
Grade V	37	35.85	34.10	95.11	12
Grades IV-V	35	31.80	30.19	94.96	22
Grade IV	41	40.00	38.28	95.70	14
Grade III	29	26.83	25.30	94.20	27
Grade II	28	27.77	26.30	95.00	19
Grade I	37	36.01	32.78	94.00	17
NORTH AGAWAM SCHOOL					
Grade VII	39	36.81	35.90	97.53	3
Grade VI	46	44.84	43.82	97.73	5
Grade V	34	32.99	32.16	97.49	2
Grades IV-V	32	30.78	29.32	95.25	9

Grade IV	39	37.95	37.00	97.50	1
Grade III	39	37.96	36.95	97.34	8
Grades II-III	32	30.49	29.76	97.61	7
Grade II	35	32.27	31.56	97.80	3
Grade I	36	34.78	33.57	96.52	9
SPRINGFIELD STREET SCHOOL					
Grade VII	38	34.37	33.16	96.48	2
Grade VI	39	38.82	37.14	95.67	13
Grade V	44	40.63	38.25	94.14	29
Grade IV	44	40.51	38.92	96.08	6
Grade III	43	40.05	38.71	96.65	22
Grades II-III	38	32.82	31.80	96.89	2
Grade II	43	40.55	38.64	95.30	8
Grade I	48	44.23	42.75	96.65	10
Grade I	17	14.90	14.50	97.32	14
FEEDING HILLS SCHOOL					
Grade VII	24	22.38	21.95	98.08	5
Grades V-VI	42	40.32	38.37	95.16	5
Grades IV-V	39	38.48	37.29	96.92	4
Grades II-III	42	38.99	37.77	96.87	5
Grade I	28	26.14	24.66	94.34	6
SOUTH SCHOOL	22	21.80	20.78	95.32	6
SUFFIELD STREET	26	25.24	23.89	94.65	2
WEST STREET	30	29.01	28.41	97.93	9

Total Membership for Town	1,668
Average Membership for Town	1,576.53
Average Daily Attendance for Town	1,514.66
Per Cent Attendance for Town	96.07
Tardiness for Town	549
Total Membership January 1, 1927	1,631
Increase over last year	37

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DOCTOR AND SCHOOL NURSE

January, 1927, to January, 1928

Number of Schools Visited	8
Number of Visits to Schools	747
Number of Visits to Homes	373
Number of Treatments	533
Pupils Inspected	5,360
Number of Pupils taken to Oculist and Physician	34
Number of Cases of Scarlet Fever	8
Number of Cases of Whooping Cough	9
Number of Cases of Chicken Pox	10
Number of Cases of Mumps	2
Number of Cases of Diphtheria	7
Number of Cases of German Measles	3
Number of Cases of Pediculosis	30
Number of Tonsils and Adenoids	335
Number of Defective Teeth	364
Number of Glands	186
Number of Rapid Cardiac Cases	15
Number of Orthopedic Cases	8
Number of Cases of Slight Goiter	10

Twelve pupils were taken to West Springfield for x-ray—all were negative.

Forty-two pre school children were vaccinated by Dr. Corcoran in June.

Seventy-four pupils were vaccinated by Dr. Chamberlin in October.

Pupils were measured in September and January, and weighed in September, November, January, March and May.

My sincere appreciation to the parents, superintendent, principals, and teachers, for their courtesy and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY LOUISE BLACK

HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM REPORT

CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Year	Receipts	Salaries	Food	Balance	Stock on hand
1926-27	$5,184.07	$1,213.85	$3,877.49	$92.73	$46.59

Owing to the increased amount of work, and the ill health of Miss L. M. Ryder, the services of Mrs. Alice M. Fink have been engaged for the school year.

TEACHERS' APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS—1927

APPOINTMENTS

Name	Subject or Grade	School	Began Service
F. Earl Williams	Principal	High School	Sept., 1927
Allan M. Hadley	Science	High School	Sept., 1927
Katharine M. Phealan	History & English	High School	Sept., 1927
Nora M. Chandler	Grades IV-V	Agawam Center	Sept., 1927
Julia A. O'Connell	Grades I-II	North Agawam	April, 1927
Cora Y. Desmarais	Grade IV	Springfield St.	Sept., 1927
Elizabeth C. McCormick	Grades II-III	Springfield St.	Sept., 1927
Mildred C. Pease	Grades I-II-III	Suffield St.	Sept., 1927

RESIGNATIONS

			Service Ended
Elmer F. Davenport	Principal	High School	June, 1927
Maurice P. Smith	Science	High School	June, 1927
Mrs. Marion F. King	Grade V	Agawam Center	March, 1927
Pauline Lyman	Grades IV-V	Agawam Center	May, 1927
Mrs. Anna M. LaSalle	Grades I-II	North Agawam	April, 1927
Beatrice M. Schadee	Grade VI	Springfield St.	June, 1927
Christine Fraser	Grades I-II-III	Suffield St.	June, 1927

TRANSFERS

	From	To	Date
Ruth Bugbee	Jr. High School, English	Sr. High School. English	Sept., 1927
Musa B. Richardson	Springfield St., Gr. II	Agawam Center, Gr. V	Sept., 1927

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT

DECEMBER 31, 1927

	Subject or Grade	Education	Yrs. Exp. Prior to Sept., 1927	Began Service in Agawam	Salary per Month
Benjamin J. Phelps	Superintendent	Yale College, B. A. Teachers' College, M. A.	25	July, 1922	$366.67
SUPERVISORS					
Mary M. Crowley	Art	Mass. Normal Art School	4	Sept., 1926	180.00
Ruth A. Perry	Music	Keene Normal School Montpelier Seminary	4	Sept., 1926	200.00
HIGH SCHOOL					
F. Earl Williams	Principal	Mass. Agricultural College B. S.	4	Sept., 1927	270.00
Mrs. Hazel C. Aldrich	Domestic Science	Skidmore College of Arts	11	Sept., 1922	190.00
Frederick T. Dacey	Manual Training	Fitchburg Normal	9½	Sept., 1922	260.00
Harmon A. Smith	Physical Training & Coach of Boys' Athletics	Y. M. C. A. College	3	Sept., 1924	275.00
Elizabeth E. Baker	Commercial and Coach of Girls Athletics	University of New Hampshire B. A.	3	Sept., 1926	170.00
Ruth Bugbee	English	Smith College B. A.	2	Sept., 1925	150.00
Nellie I. Button	English	Middlebury College M. A.	22	Sept., 1922	190.00

Allan M. Hadley	Science	Clark University B. A.	1	Sept., 1927	190.00
Erika C. Jauch	French and Latin	Smith College B. A.	5	Sept., 1923	180.00
Clara L. McIntire	Commercial	Bay Path Institute Northeastern Univ. B. A.	8	Sept., 1922	190.00
Katharine M. Phealan	History and English	Smith College B. A.	2	Sept., 1927	160.00
Eleanor H. Smith	Mathematics	Smith College B. A. Teachers' College M. A.	8	Sept., 1922	190.00
Marjorie Ward	History	Smith College B. A. Teachers' College M. A.	6	Sept., 1922	190.00
Cora M. Barnes	Jr. High History	Westfield Normal	10 2/3	Sept.. 1922	160.00
Mae P. Lynch	Jr. High Mathematics	Westfield Normal	11	Sept., 1919	150.00
Mrs. Viola W. Phillips	Jr. High English	New Britain Normal Springfield Commercial	11	April, 1920	160.00
Catherine T. Powers	Jr. High Geography	Westfield Normal	10	Sept., 1917	170.00
John M. Quirk	Jr. High Science	Middlebury College B. A.	7½	Jan., 1923	230.00
Hazel M. Sullivan	Jr. High Sci. and Math.	Westfield Normal	13	Sept., 1914	160.00

AGAWAM CENTER SCHOOL

Mary E. McDowell	Principal	Eastern State Normal	14	Sept., 1926	170.00
Cora E. Halladay	Grade VI	Westfield Normal	13	Sept., 1915	140.00
Musa B. Richardson	Grade V	Farmington Normal	4	Sept., 1926	125.00
Nora M. Chandler	Grades IV-V	Farmington Normal	14	Sept., 1927	125.00
Gladys E. Goodwin	Grade IV	Farmington Normal	2	Sept., 1926	115.00
Dorothy L. Hooker	Grade III	Westfield Normal	2	Sept., 1926	115.00
Ida J. Hubbell	Grade II	Westfield Normal	3	Sept., 1924	120.00
Jessica Dickinson	Grade I	Westfield Normal	3	Sept., 1926	120.00

NORTH AGAWAM SCHOOL

Katherine G. Danahy	Principal	Westfield Normal	28	Sept., 1899	185.00
Eleanor C. Daly	Grade VII	Westfield Normal	5	Sept., 1923	140.00
Annette E. Deely	Grade VI	Westfield Normal	6	Sept., 1921	135.00
Ruth C. Grady	Grade V	Westfield Normal	4	Sept., 1923	130.00
Grace M. Connell	Grades IV-V	Westfield Normal	2	Sept., 1926	115.00
Alice McKeown	Grade IV	Westfield Normal	4	Sept., 1923	130.00
Olive A. Fox	Grade III	Westfield Normal	17	Sept., 1914	140.00
Kathryn M. Roache	Grade II	Westfield Normal	10	Sept., 1922	135.00
Julia A. O'Connell	Grades I-II	Spfld. Kindergarten	1	April, 1927	110.00
Jennie M. Lucas	Grade I	Southington Training	27	Sept., 1900	150.00

SPRINGFIELD ST. SCHOOL

Faolin M. Peirce	Principal	Springfield Normal	18	Sept., 1909	180.00
Mrs. Marguerite B. Dacey	Grade I	Westfield Normal	9	Sept., 1926	133.00
Phyllis B. Irwin	Grade II	Westfield Normal	2	Sept., 1926	115.00
Elizabeth C. McCormick	Grades II-III	Westfield Normal		Sept., 1927	105.00
Dorothy Emerson	Grade III	Univ. of Vermont Training Class	3	Sept., 1925	120.00
Cora Y. Desmarais	Grade IV	New Haven State Normal	2	Sept., 1927	110.00
Mrs. Bernice Miller	Grade V	Westfield Normal	8	Sept., 1926	133.00
Viva M. Potter	Grade VI	Barton Teachers Training Course	10	Sept., 1925	125.00
Emily M. McCormick	Grade VII	Westfield Normal Bay Path Institute	4	Sept., 1924	140.00

FEEDING HILLS SCHOOL

Helyne D. Mousley	Principal	Westfield Normal	4	Sept., 1923	170.00

Ruth E. Manchester	Grades V-VI	Gorham Normal	4	Sept., 1924	125.00
Christina M. Rose	Grades IV-V	Westfield Normal	6	Sept., 1926	130.00
Mrs. Bessie S. Field	Grades II-III	Eastern State Normal	16	Sept., 1926	135.00
Mildred M. Trask	Grade I	Higgins Classical Inst.	8	April, 1922	135.00
SUFFIELD ST. SCHOOL					
Mildred C. Pease	Grades I-II-III	Westfield Normal		Sept., 1927	105.00
SOUTH SCHOOL					
Merriam S. Weeks	Grades I-II-III	Westfield Normal	1	Sept., 1926	110.00
WEST ST. SCHOOL					
Ruth M. Ripley	Grades I-II-III-IV	Castine Normal	5	Sept., 1925	125.00

Articles in Warrant

For March 10, 1928

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continuation of pavement on School Street, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $20,000 for the rebuilding of Suffield Street, from the Agawam Bridge south, with macadam, cement or pavement of a similar lasting character providing the state and county will each appropriate a like amount, and provide for raising the same by the issue of bonds or otherwise.

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Article 22. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year.

Article 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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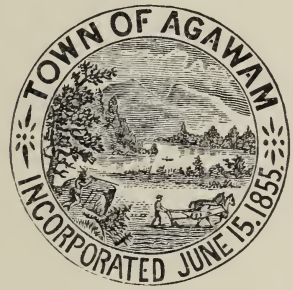

For the Year Ending December 31

1928

Town Officers 1928-1929

Selectmen, Public Welfare and Board of Health

CHARLES W. HULL JAMES F. KIRBY
RILEY S. FARNSWORTH

Town Clerk and Treasurer

HENRY E. BODURTHA

Collector

HENRY E. BODURTHA

School Committee

CLIFFORD M. GRANGER	Term expires 1929
GRACE B. REED	Term expires 1929
J. LEO ROY	Term expires 1930
SIDNEY F. ATWOOD	Term expires 1930
ARTHUR RUDMAN	Term expires 1931
THOMAS H. STAPLETON	Term expires 1931

Assessors

ADOLPHUS PROVOST	Term expires 1929
CLARENCE H. GRANGER	Term expires 1930
PAUL B. JOHNSON	Term expires 1931

Auditor

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD

Library Trustees

CLARENCE H. GRANGER	Term expires 1929
IDA BERNATCHEZ	Term expires 1930
ANNA H. RUDMAN	Term expires 1931

Trustees of Whiting Street Fund

DENNIS M. CROWLEY ..... Term expires 1929
FREMONT H. KING ..... Term expires 1930

Cemetery Commissioners

FRANK W. RANDALL ..... Term expires 1929
WILLIAM D. RISING ..... Term expires 1930
DWIGHT E. BAILEY ..... Term expires 1931

Water Commissioners

WALTER S. KERR ..... Term expires 1929
JOHN L. BURKE ..... Term expires 1930
DENNIS M. CROWLEY ..... Term expires 1931

Tree Warden

EDWIN M. HITCHCOCK (deceased)

Constables

WILLIAM T. BAGLEY — JASPER DeFORGE
MOSES V. BESSETTE — EARL E. DICKINSON
WARREN C. BODURTHA — PERLEY J. HEWEY
DANIEL O. CESAN — ALVIN R. KELLOGG
HENRY E. CHANNELL — CHARLES H. WYMAN

Surveyors of Lumber

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN — FREMONT H. KING
CHARLES W. HULL — NELSON G. KING

Measurers of Wood

LOUIS CONTI — ALVIN R. KELLOGG
CHARLES W. HULL — NELSON G. KING

Public Weighers

PHILIP B. BARRY — BERTLEY R. JENKS
PRENTISS JENKS — HARVEY E. PORTER
FRANK WHITTAKER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

EDWIN U. LEONARD

Chief of Police
PERLEY J. HEWEY

Registrars of Voters
EMIL A. ROY — HOWARD W. POND
PHILIP W. HASTINGS — HENRY E. BODURTHA

Inspectors of Animals and Meats
JAMES H. CLARK — DWIGHT E. BAILEY

Fire Engineers
FRANK T. GOSS — EDWARD J. GOSSELIN
JAMES W. SHEA

Foreman in charge of Highway Work
CHARLES H. WYMAN

Fence Viewers
CHARLES F. BARDEN — THOMAS A. KERR

Field Drivers
WILLIAM S. HALLADAY — FRANKIE H. CAMPBELL

Burial Agent
EDWIN B. SPRING

Town Counsel
WENDELL G. BROWNSON

Town Clerk's Report

TOWN ELECTION, MARCH 5, 1928

	Precinct A	B	C	Total
Number of ballots cast	431	348	280	1059

RESULTS OF COUNT OF BALLOTS

For Selectmen, Board of Welfare and Board of Health:				
Riley S. Farnsworth	76	184	203	463
Charles W. Hull	134	192	232	558
James F. Kirby	320	188	147	655
John F. McAllister	125	117	108	350
Anthony J. Pitter	52	18	36	106
Frederick A. Raison	187	182	63	437
Blanks	399	163	51	613
For Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector:				
Henry E. Bodurtha	157	166	194	517
Blanks	274	182	86	542
Assessor for three years:				
Paul B. Johnson	137	213	207	557
Walter B. Smith	120	76	56	252
Blanks	174	59	17	250

School Committee for three years:				
Charles A. Barden	72	64	84	220
John S. Bryce	102	180	131	413
Arthur Rudman	98	184	222	504
Thomas H. Stapleton	286	95	79	460
Blanks	304	173	44	521
Water Commissioner for three years:				
Dennis M. Crowley	218	197	163	578
Edward J. Gosselin	179	119	103	401
Blanks	34	32	14	80
Auditor:				
Leafie N. Maynard	253	230	244	727
Blanks	178	117	36	331
Tree Warden:				
Edwin M. Hitchcock	261	262	257	780
Blanks	170	86	23	279
Library Trustee for three years:				
Anna H. Rudman	246	239	255	740
Blanks	189	109	25	319
Trustee of Whiting Street Fund:				
Fremont H. King	179	194	228	601
Blanks	252	154	52	458
Cemetery Commissioner for three years:				
Dwight E. Bailey	107	196	198	501
Andrew K. Campbell	123	67	63	253
Blanks	201	85	19	305

For Constables:				
William T. Bagley	109	155	198	462
Philip Belisle	64	67	32	163
Moses Bessette	263	132	148	543
Warren C. Bodurtha	117	195	231	543
Frankie H. Campbell	96	72	142	310
Daniel O. Cesan	100	215	190	505
Henry E. Channell	83	130	212	425
John R. Daly	141	64	134	339
Jasper De Forge	234	68	73	375
William De Forge	195	57	39	291
Earle E. Dickinson	74	172	197	443
Lawrence Duclos	190	69	40	299
Henry Fortier	130	34	31	195
Perley J. Hewey	137	193	188	518
Alvin R. Kellogg	108	238	179	525
Frederick A. Lane	73	112	143	328
Dennis Lynch	68	82	25	175
Arthur Ryan	58	79	25	162
Charles H. Wyman	104	238	201	543
A. J. Pitter	0	0	1	1
Blanks	1966	1108	371	3445

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 10, 1928

Annual Town Meeting assembled in the Assembly Hall of the High School at one o'clock P. M. according to call of Warrant. Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, and under

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger was elected, receiving 54 votes, 56 cast.

Article 2. To choose two or more Fence Viewers and two or more Field Drivers.

Charles F. Barden and Thomas A. Kerr were elected Fence Viewers. William S. Halladay and Frankie H. Campbell were elected Field Drivers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of Town Officers.

Voted: To accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed, typographical errors and omissions excepted.

Article 4. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Voted: That the care of the Poor be left in the hands of the Board of Public Welfare.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day and provide for its expenditure.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the proper observance of Memorial Day.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the payment of a proper charge of an Insurance Company for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars for the payment of a proper charge of an Insurance Company for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for liability insurance of its employees.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars for Liability Insurance.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $400. to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, to be expended for agricultural and Home Economics Extension Service in this County and Town, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $400. to the Trustees of County Aid to Agriculture, to be expended for the Agricultural and Home Economics Extension service in the county and town in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 9. To see if the Town will authorize the numbering of houses upon any of the streets of the Town, and make an appropriation for the same.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $100 for numbering houses upon the streets of the Town under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money to be used for establishment and construction of sidewalks and curbing on any of the streets of the Town.

Voted: That the sum of $3,000. be appropriated for the purpose of constructing curbing and sidewalk in North Agawam to conform with the present construction of the curbing and sidewalk in Bridge Street, the said sum to be raised by taxation during the current municipal year. It being intended that a reasonable amount not exceeding one half of the total cost of the work be assessed on the abutting estates.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $2,525.65 for the payment of land damage incurred in the rebuilding of Main Street in 1925, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $2,525.65 from the Excess and Deficiency fund for land damage incurred in rebuilding Main Street in 1925.

Article 12. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $15,000. provided the state and county will each appropriate a like sum for rebuilding the highway from Feeding Hills Center to the Connecticut State Line by way of Pine Street, with stone, block, brick or other pavement of similar lasting character and provide for raising the money by taxation or otherwise, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $15,000. for the rebuilding of the highway from Feeding Hills Center to the Connecticut State Line by way of Pine Street, with stone, block, brick or other pavement of similar lasting character, provided the county of Hampden and the State of Massachusetts will each appropriate a like amount for said street, said sum to be raised by taxation during the current municipal year.

Article 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $10,000. or any other sum, to be raised by taxation for the continuation of pavement on School Street, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $10,000. to be raised by taxation during the current municipal year, for the construction of so called permanent highway on School Street.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $20,000. for the rebuilding of Suffield Street, from the Agawam Bridge south, with macadam, cement or pavement of a similar lasting character, providing the state and county will each appropriate a like amount, and provide for raising the same by the issue of bonds or otherwise.

No action taken.

Article 15. To see if the Town will accept Wilson and Harding Streets as public highways.

Voted: To leave the matter in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 16. To see if the Town will make an appropriation for the extension of the water system on Line Street and instruct the Water Commissioners.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 17. To see what action the Town will take in regard to accepting the provisions of Chapter 41, of the General Laws of Massachusetts, and all acts in amendment thereof and addition thereto, in regard to a board of survey.

Voted: To appoint a committee of three to consider the matter of a Board of Survey and report at a future town meeting.

E. Harold Hamblen, Edward J. Gosselin and Arthur W. Taylor were appointed.

Article 18. To see what action the Town will take in regard to accepting the provisions of Chapter 41, of the General Laws of Massachusetts and all acts in amendment thereof and addition thereto, in regard to a planning board.

Voted: To defer all action until the next annual town meeting.

Article 19. To see if the Town will instruct the Selectmen to petition the Public Utilities Commission for a lower light rate in Agawam.

Voted: That the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to confer with the Agawam Electric Co. in regard to lower light rates in Agawam, and then if necessary to petition the Public Utility Commissioners in regard to same.

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the care of North Cemetery.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $50. for the care of North Cemetery for the ensuing year.

Article 21. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year beginning January 1, 1928, in anticipation of the revenue of said year such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town.

Voted: That the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1928 to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of the tax levy of 1927, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable in one year, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Article 22. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year.

Voted: To appropriate for:

Schools	$140,000.00
Public Welfare	5,500.00
Highways & Bridges	20.000.00
Town Office	4,800.00
Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector	2,500.00
Police	4,200.00
Health	2,000.00
Sealing of Weights and Measures	600.00
Inspecting of Animals and Meats	1,200.00
Assessors	3,000.00
Fire Department	4,000.00
Town Buildings	2,000.00
Moth ,Extermination	300.00
Forestry	800.00
Library	400.00
State Aid	100.00
Sewers	1,000.00
Street Lights	9,500.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00
Interest	22,000.00
Debt	37,000.00

Salary Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health $1,500. taken from several of above appropriations

Memorial Day	150.00
Surety Bonds	450.00
Liability Insurance	400.00
Aid to Agriculture	400.00
Numbering of houses	100.00
Sidewalk and Curbing	3,000.00
Westfield Street	15,000.00
School Street	10,000.00
North Cemetery	50.00

Article 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: That the sum of $15,000.00 be taken from the Excess and Deficiency Fund and applied against appropriations made.

Voted: That a Committee of six, two from each Precinct be appointed to investigate the need of additional school accommodations; said Committee to report its findings and recommendations at a special town meeting to be called for some later date.

The Committee appointed were the following: Charles W. Hull, Clifford M. Granger, Frank W. Kellogg, J. Dixon Birchard, J. Leo Roy, and Harry R. Jones.

Finance Committee appointed as follows: Giles W. Halladay, James H. Clark, John R. Lloyd, Emile A. Roy, and Henry E. Bodurtha.

Voted to adjourn.

Special Town Meeting

APRIL 6, 1928

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger was unanimously elected Moderator.

Article 2. To see if the Town will accept Section 25 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws and Acts in Amendment thereof or in addition thereto, relative to restricting buildings and their uses to specified parts of the town, pass any vote or take any action relative thereto.

No action taken.

Article 3. To see if the Town will enact a by-law relative to the limiting of buildings and premises, according to their use or construction to specified parts of the Town, pass any vote or take any action relative thereto.

Voted: That the By-Laws of the Town of Agawam as amended be and are hereby further amended by the By-Laws relative to the limiting of buildings and premises, according to their use or construction to specified parts of the Town such By-Laws being the same as are read before this Special Town Meeting accompanied by a Building Zone Map of Agawam, Massachusetts, prepared by the Zoning Committee; Joseph T. B. Woodruff, Consultant.

40 voting in the affirmative and 30 in the negative.

Special Town Meeting

JUNE 22, 1928

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger was elected Moderator.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the report of a special committee appointed at the last annual town meeting to investigate the need of additional school house accommodations.

The report of the special committee on school house needs was made by Clifford M. Granger, recommending an addition be built to the present High School as outlined by plans explained by Superintendent Benjamin J. Phelps.

Voted: To accept the report of the Committee.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to construct, equip and furnish an addition to the present High School Building with needed alterations in the present building as outlined by plans presented by the special committee on school house needs, or take any other action regarding the same.

Voted: That a committee consisting of six, to be appointed by the Moderator be authorized and instructed to construct, equip and furnish an addition to the High School Building with needed alterations to the present building according to plans outlined and presented by the special committee on school house needs, the whole to be done at a cost not to exceed the sum of $125,000.00

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of $125,000.00 or any part thereof, for the purpose of constructing, equipping and furnishing an addition to the High School Building and making necessary alterations to the present building and authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow said sum or any part thereof or act in any way relating to the same.

Voted: That the Town appropriate the sum of $125,000.00 for the purpose of constructing, equipping and furnishing an addition to the High School Building, and for necessary alterations to the present building. Of the said sum $5,000.00 shall be raised by taxation during the present municipal year for the needed alterations in the present building, the remaining sum of $120,000.00 to be appropriated for the addition to the present building; thus increasing the floor space of said building; twenty thousand ($20,000.00) dollars of which shall be raised by taxation during the present municipal year and that the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and is hereby authorized to issue bonds or notes of the Town to an amount not to exceed $100,000.00 under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws and Acts in amendment thereof, so that the whole sum shall be payable in not more than twenty years from the date of said notes or bonds; or at such earlier time as the Treasurer and Selectmen may determine.

56 in affirmative and 1 in negative.

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the School Committee to establish and maintain State Aided Vocational Education and appropriate the funds necessary for its support.

Voted: That we do hereby authorize the School Committee to establish and maintain State Aided Vocational Education in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 471, Acts of 1911 and of Acts amendatory thereto or dependent thereon.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $1,389.60 to cover deficiency of 1927.

Voted: To appropriate from the Excess and Deficiency Fund the sum of $1,389.60 to cover deficiencies of 1927.

Article 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: To adjourn.

Special Town Meeting

DECEMBER 28, 1928

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger was elected Moderator.

Article 2. To see if the Town will make any necessary appropriations for necessary expenses for various departments.

Voted: To appropriate as follows:

To Public Welfare Department, $700. from receipts of the department and $1,800. from receipts of Income Tax.

To Town Office Department, $2,000. from receipts of Income Tax.

To Health Department $525. from receipts in Interest Account.

Article 3. To see if the Town will take any vote relative to rental of Town Halls.

Voted: That the rent of town halls shall be $2.00 plus janitors fees when no heat is required, or $3.00 when heat is required, to all town organizations, such as Grange, Scouts or Churches.

$7.00 shall be charged to all outside organizations

Article 4. To see if the town will make any change in the list of Town Officers to be elected by ballot hereafter.

Voted: That hereafter the officers to be elected annually by official ballot shall consist of a Town Clerk who shall also be Treasurer; three Selectmen, who shall also be a Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health; Town Collector; Auditor; Tree Warden; Ten Constables, all for the term of one year; Two members of School Committee; One Assessor; one Water Commissioner; one Cemetery Commissioner; and one Library Trustee, all for three years; one Whiting Street Fund Commissioner for two years. All previous votes inconsistent herewith are repealed.

Article 5. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: To adjourn.

Presidential and State Elections

NOVEMBER 6, 1928

	Precinct A	B	C	Total
Number of ballots cast	742	578	887	2207
For President and Vice President Electors:				
Foster and Gitlow	0	2	1	3
Hoover and Curtis	219	384	631	1234
Reynolds and Crowley	0	2	0	2
Smith and Robinson	488	181	239	908
Thomas and Maurer	10	4	1	15
Blanks	23	7	15	45
Governor:				
Frank G. Allen	223	371	629	1223
Chester W. Bixby	2	7	3	12
Charles H. Cole	422	156	221	799
Washington Cook	0	2	2	4
Mary Donovan Hapgood	9	4	3	16
Edith Hamilton MacFadden	0	0	4	4
Stephen J. Surridge	0	0	0	0
Blanks	86	38	25	149
Lieutenant Govenor:				
John Corbin	11	9	8	28
Henry C. Hess	4	1	1	6
Walter S. Hutchins	8	5	6	19
John F. Malley	391	155	207	753
William Sterling Youngman	215	346	621	1182
Blanks	113	62	44	219

Secretary:				
Harry J. Cantor	5	5	2	12
Frederic W. Cook	231	349	625	1205
Oscar Kinsalas	3	3	3	9
Joseph Santosuosso	343	137	190	670
Edith M. Williams	7	5	4	16
Blanks	153	79	63	295
Treasurer:				
James P. Bergin	359	140	187	686
Albert Sprague Coolidge	10	6	2	18
John W. Haigis	221	352	632	1205
Albert Oddie	1	6	2	9
Charles S. Oram	1	0	2	3
Blanks	150	74	62	286
Auditor:				
John W. Aiken	3	1	3	7
Alonzo B. Cook	213	347	599	1159
David A. Eisenberg	11	7	3	21
Eva Hoffman	0	6	3	9
Francis J. Gorman	361	143	203	707
Blanks	154	74	76	304
Attorney General:				
Edward P. Barry	378	152	201	731
Morris I. Becker	5	2	0	7
Max Lerner	0	5	1	6
John Weaver Sherman	8	7	3	18
Joseph E. Warner	211	342	612	1165
Blanks	140	70	70	280
Senator in Congress:				
John J. Ballam	1	3	3	7
Alfred Baker Lewis	8	4	1	13
David I. Walsh	473	183	251	907
Benjamin Loring Young	197	339	591	1127
Blanks	63	49	41	153

Congressman:				
William Kirk Kaynor	245	364	624	1233
John D. O'Connor	374	154	203	731
Blanks	123	60	60	243
Councillor:				
George D. Chamberlain	293	392	663	1348
Blanks	449	186	223	858
Senator:				
Frederick E. Judd	202	339	605	1146
Henry W. Warner	368	157	203	728
Blanks	172	82	79	333
Representatives in General Court:				
Frank O. Scott	249	361	623	1233
William J. Sessions	149	272	490	911
Joseph P. Vincelette	446	176	228	850
Blanks	640	347	433	1420
County Commissioners:				
Charles W. Bray	178	307	524	1009
George S. Cook	192	309	573	1074
Thomas J. Costello	322	146	195	663
Edward J. Stapleton	344	132	173	649
Blanks	448	262	309	1019
Clerk of Courts:				
Charles M. Calhoun	390	369	690	1449
Blanks	352	209	197	758
Register of Deeds:				
Patrick J. Courtney	339	147	196	682
James D. Norton	186	304	572	1062
Blanks	217	127	119	463
Sheriff (to fill vacancy):				
Edward J. Leyden	418	377	696	1491
Blanks	324	201	190	715

Law proposed by initiative petition:				
Yes	426	250	403	1079
No	118	162	324	604
Blanks	198	166	160	524
Question of Public Policy:				
Yes	444	272	357	1073
No	119	151	389	659
Blanks	179	155	141	475

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden ss; West Springfield, November 16, 1928

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the several towns representing the Second Hampden Representative District, the votes of the several towns were canvassed as follows;

	Frank O. Scott	Wm. J. Sessions	Jos. P. Vincelette	Blanks	Total
Agawam	1233	911	850	1420	4414
Blandford	162	138	13	97	410
Chester	305	248	92	393	1038
E. Longmeadow	737	742	257	606	2342
Granville	214	183	27	172	596
Hampden	191	245	55	143	634
Longmeadow	1585	1378	249	744	3956
Montgomery	47	50	2	33	132
Russell	345	289	107	321	1062
Southwick	308	254	42	238	842
Tolland	36	35	9	24	104
W. Springfield	3799	2886	2471	3610	12766
Wilbraham	435	476	166	407	1484
Totals	9397	7835	4340	8208	29780

HENRY E. BODURTHA ..... Town Clerk of Agawam
FRANCES E. SHEPARD ..... Town Clerk of Blandford
JOHN E. COONEY ..... Town Clerk of Chester
R. A. DENSLOW ..... Town Clerk of East Longmeadow
S. B. ROOT ..... Town Clerk of Granville
G. I. BURLEIGH ..... Town Clerk of Hampden
FRANK E. SMITH ..... Town Clerk of Longmeadow
W. D. ALLYN ..... Town Clerk of Montgomery
E. D. PARKS ..... Town Clerk of Russell
CLYDE H. TREWORGY ..... Town Clerk of Southwick
EUGENE M. MOORE ..... Town Clerk of Tolland
HENRY E. SCHMUCK ..... Town Clerk of W. Springfield
JEAN T. ABBOTT ..... Town Clerk of Wilbraham

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1928

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Jan. 1	Ruth Marie McGarrett	Andrew and Rachel Cleary
Jan. 4	Priscilla Louise Carter	George L. and Frances H. Howard
Jan. 12	Priscilla Chamberlin	Ira I. and Elsie C. Moore
Jan. 14	Robert Stanley Dickinson	Earl E. and Cora B. Bailey
Jan. 14	Roberta Blanche Dickinson	Earl E. and Cora B. Bailey
Jan. 17	Ruth Jean Messenger	Guy H. and Edna M. Suthergreen
Jan. 25	Richard Donald Willett	Ransom and Dora Jasmin
Jan. 26	Ila Mae Moors	Myron A. and Jennie W. Clark
Jan. 26	Mary Ellen Latham	Leo J. and Elizabeth Hanlon
Jan. 31	Marion Laura Hill	Charles F. and Exilda A. Menard
Feb. 5	Audrey Joan Clark	Maurice E. and Dorothy Tarbox
Feb. 5	George Draghetti	Frank and Mary Cascella
Feb. 5	Mary Elizabeth Coughlin	William J. and Mary A. Gordan
Feb. 7	Irving Florio Larese	Augusto and Lidnima Deflorian
Feb. 9	George Morgan	George E. and Alice W. Tucker
Feb. 11	Marie L. J. Provost	Alfred E. and Armina O. Gagnon
Feb. 11	Joseph L. E. Provost	Alfred E. and Armina O. Gagnon
Feb. 14	Helen Sybil Hastings	Philip W. and Vivian P. Hastings
Feb. 14	Martha Emily Brenninger	Ernest A. and Emilie Pirkl
Feb. 16	———— McDonald	Edward J. and Anna E. Murray
Feb. 19	Clifford Pease Kibbe	Stuart A. and Stella L. Kidder
Feb. 23	Marie Ann Keeley	Thomas R. and Catherine T. Mullen
Feb. 27	Anna Norman	Peter and Marie Norman
Mar. 5	Neill Edvoy Powers	Ernest J. and Jennie M. Perusse
Mar. 5	Gloria Maria Decoteau	Edward and Gwendolyn Herbert
Mar. 7	Jean Adrienne Rivard	Wilfred Joseph and Mary R. Beauchane
Mar. 9	Richard Melville Goyette	Melville E. and Ermine Crepan
Mar. 11	Kenneth Irwin Cooley	Maro H. and Ethel M. Giles
Mar. 16	Gwendolyn Louise Trabold	Anthony W. and Myrtle L. Young
Mar. 27	———— Dean	John and Eva De Forge
Mar. 30	Madelyn Rose Ferrero	Arthur A. and Jennie M. Castelli
Apr. 12	Alvord Charles Hutchinson	Harold and Emily J. Hull
Apr. 12	Marion Edith Lauritsen	Caspar and Caroline E. Kline
Apr. 17	————Armstrong	George A. and Ruby Whitlock
Apr. 23	William Joseph Berard	Eugene F. and Ida E. Keller
Apr. 27	Solomon Frederick Cushman	Solomon F. and Alice Jones
Apr. 28	Richard Jenks	Prentice R. and Martha Stebbins
May 1	Dorothy Winfred Sullivan	John H. and Anna M. Burke
May 2	Walter A. Haggerty, Jr.	Walter A. and Helen T. Scully

May	3	———— O'Neil	Joseph H. and Hazel Sweet
May	4	Sumner Clark Schwartz	John M. and Doris G. Fletcher
May	5	Robert Joseph Hart	Michael J. and Elizabeth A. Cavanaugh
May	10	———— Sadak	James and Jennie Solomon
May	11	Newell Charles Barrett	Oscar C. and Susie M. Slater
May	11	Henry Harold Perusse	Fred and Louise L. Maken
May	13	Evelyn Lillian Noble	Frank S. and Lillian Menard
May	14	Robert Carey	Michael and Annette Savaria
May	21	————Karakla	James and Dominika Butswinska
May	23	Jeanne d'Arc Favreau	F. Arthur and Marie A. Gagnon
May	29	Irvin Theodore Arnold	Andrew L. and Adeline Prophet
May	31	Barbara Rose La Violette	Albert R. and Elizabeth Ghisellini
June	2	Donald Eugene Conkey	James O. and Florence Talmadge
June	3	Alfonso D'Arpinno	Antonio and Caterina M. Rocco
June	5	Elsie June Trehey	David A. and Lena E. Campbell
June	6	Teresa Marie Leary	Edwin J. and Irene E. Tougas
June	7	Raymond Miller	Raymond A. and Dorothy L. Arnold
June	8	Eileen May Allen	Frank R. and Ruth M. O'Connor
June	10	Louis John Ferrero	Anthony and Margaret Corgnato
June	14	Mary Elizabeth Barry	Philip D. and Elizabeth Simpson
June	25	Libia Victoria Rovelli	Armando and Ettabla Salsibli
June	30	Lucille Helen Johnson	Walter Cushman and Venetta A. Burnam
July	3	John Albano	Frank and Margaret M. Quinn
July	6	Stanley Edward Crossman	Charles E. and Mary Brown
July	6	Joseph Nacewicz	Andrew A. and Mary Les
July	7	Peter Jerey Grimaldi	Peter and Margaret Bruni
July	16	Conrad Wilde Eberhardt	Harry O. and Stella H. Wilde
July	28	Margery Louise Grout	Milfred A. and Gertrude L. Pratt
July	28	Elizabeth Ann Burgess	Robert J. and Mary E. Richards
July	30	Barbara Octavia De George	Silvio and Angelina M. Avondo
Aug.	13	Gloria Eleanor Merritt	Harlow C. and Laura White
Aug.	18	Norman Leo Gauthier	Lawrence L. and Marie R. Menard
Aug.	20	Evelyn Beckwith Wilcox	George O. and Charlotte Beckwith
Aug.	24	Salvatore John Morassi	John and Rose DeChristoforo
Aug.	25	Richard Clarence Fuller	Clayton and Helen Ripley
Aug.	25	Marion Patricia Mandiroli	Louis and Marie C. Rescia
Aug.	28	Lillian Paro	Ernest and Rhea Vezina
Aug.	31	Shirley Marie Williams	Thomas and Rachel Mc Leod
Aug.	31	Helen Louise Houghton	Earl F. and Isabel Taylor
Sept.	2	Ross Harper Higgins	Ray L. and Eleanor Harper
Sept.	8	Domenic Joseph Pedulla	Domenic J. and Susan Cianflone
Sept.	12	Howard Albert Lucey	Lawrence and Nina Gould
Sept.	14	Joyce Marie Lovette	Russell and Evelyn Couture
Sept.	16	Robert Aubrey Gottsche	Carl J. and Gladys Wells
Sept.	18	Evelyn Teresa Ambrose	Robert T. and Mabel G. Duclos
Sept.	21	Doris Marie Curran	Patrick J. and Elizabeth V. McDonald
Sept.	21	Gloria Louise Parent	Ettore A. and Henrietta M. Paller
Sept.	23	Douglas Whitney Kerr	James H. and Laura Fuller
Oct.	2	Albert Tessicini	Domenic and Matilda Tessicini
Oct.	5	Donald Charles Rhodes	Charles and Beatrice I. Green

Oct.	7	Walter Drewnowska	William and Theodora Carminska
Oct.	12	Raymond Bible McCann, Jr.	Raymond B. and Ellen L. Calnen
Oct.	13	Joseph Edmond Tisdel	Joseph E. and Rose V. Wilson
Oct.	16	Francesco Saviglia	Salvator and Concella Russo
Oct.	19	Richard Bogotti	Ettore and Mary Rosso
Oct.	23	Meredyth Jane Barker	Ralph L. and Beatrice M. Barr
Oct.	29	Joseph Spotaro	Toniello and Annunziata Nosoni
Nov.	1	Laurence Walter Kwaitkowski	John W. and Florence M. Bornus
Nov.	1	Raymond Edward Rivers, Jr.	Raymond E. and Laura M. Gaboury
Nov.	4	Norma Jane Oliver	Norman H. and Jennie L. Blanvelt
Nov.	6	Alfred Harold Christopher	Henry and Dehlia Guidi
Nov.	7	Florence Edna Blanchard	Fred J. and Florence E. Newton
Nov.	10	Doris Ann Layhee	Willis B. and Florence M. Elliot
Nov.	11	Charles Frederick Hill, Jr.	Charles F. and Exilda A. Menard
Nov.	11	Arthur William Carr	Arthur E. and Ruth Talmadge
Nov.	13	Harold Everet Birk	Karl W. and Ida Snape
Nov.	14	Barbara Jean De Forge	Jasper P. and Catherine M. Connor
Nov.	14	Thomas Arthur Ryan	Arthur and Ellen Chapman
Nov.	19	Alfred Ernest Leveille	Alfred E. and Joesphine M. Barbero
Nov.	20	Alfred Woishinis	John and Anna Andrysh
Dec.	6	Joseph Joel Bruso	Alfred J. and Mary A. Daigle
Dec.	12	Constance Eleanor Jasmin	Henry and Blanche Lempke
Dec.	18	———— Ryan	Milton F. and Grace I. Kelley
Dec.	19	Ellen Marie Letendre	Sylvio and Irene Ducharme

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1928

Date and Place of marriage	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence
January 4	Anthony Scibelli	Agawam
Agawam	Nellie Albano	Springfield
January 23	Axel B. Lindstrom	E. Longmeadow
Agawam	Sylvia E. Bassette	Agawam
January 24	Joseph William Bercier	Agawam
Agawam	Rose Mary Reagan	Longmeadow
February 2	Antonio Di Arpino	Agawam
Springfield	Maria C. R. Rione	W. Springfield
February 20	Stanley Prova	Agawam
West Springfield	Alice Pezzini	W. Springfield
February 20	John Fortini	Agawam
Springfield	Mary Fini	Agawam
February 21	Theofanis Albanes	Agawam
Agawam	Mary Girardini	Agawam
April 9	John Edward Carlson	Agawam
Agawam	Elsie Charlotte Esner	Agawam
April 9	Wallace Harold Provost	Agawam
Springfield	Celestine Margaret Morrison	Springfield
April 10	Dudley Kent Bodurtha	Agawam
West Springfield	Anna Louise Kane	Agawam
April 19	Majellan R. Roy	Chicopee
Agawam	Josephine C. Dudley	Agawam
April 23	James L. Lyons	Agawam
Agawam	Christine C. Murray	Putnam, Ct.
April 24	Chester Nicora	Springfield
Agawam	Angelina Tronconi	Agawam
May 2	Daniel B. Barrett	Agawam
Agawam	Marie Blanda Champigny	Agawam
May 8	Walter Terrance Cullen	Springfield
West Springfield	Helen Theresa Cleary	Agawam
May 12	Eugene H. Saunders	Agawam
East Windsor, Ct.	Florence E. Haley	Springfield
May 28	William St. John	Agawam
Northampton	Constance D. Darmofal	Northampton
June 9	Albert H. Naughton	Springfield
Agawam	Elizabeth M. Wylie	Springfield
June 11	Exodious Caron	Chicopee
Agawam	Irene M. Provost	Agawam
June 13	George D. Roberts	Agawam
West Springfield	Thelma Henegar	Agawam

June 14	Charles C. Henegar	Agawam
Springfield	Grace M. Lemery	Springfield
June 16	Clarence L. W. Gillis	Providence, R. I.
Agawam	Eugenia C. Oliver	Agawam
June 16	Raymond C. Tryon	Pittsburg, Pa.
Agawam	Caroline V. Courtright	Pittsburg, Pa.
June 18	Robert D. Rickert	Agawam
Agawam	Dorothy M. Munson	Agawam
June 19	F. Earl Williams	Agawam
Springfield	Ruth Bugbee	Springfield
June 20	Joseph F. Vocesky	W. Springfield
Agawam	Ida M. Descoteaux	Agawam
June 23	Frank H. Jenks	Agawam
Brookfield	Esther J. Wilson	Brookfield
June 26	William F. Ford, Jr.	Springfield
Agawam	Angela Daglio	Agawam
June 28	Ralph Albano	Springfield
Springfield	Lucy A. Moccio	Agawam
June 28	Elio L. Capponcello	Springfield
Agawam	Theresa Cartello	Agawam
June 28	Sebastiano D'Angelo	Springfield
Agawam	Tina Foundenrosa	Agawam
June 28	Francis L. Casey	Rockland
West Springfield	Mae E. Otto	Agawam
July 3	George F. Champigny	Agawam
West Springfield	Bertha L. Yelenek	W. Springfield
July 4	John H. Lamier	Springfield
Agawam	Una Alma Provost	Agawam
July 21	Martin Seastrom	Agawam
Springfield	Mabel Johnson	Agawam
July 21	Clarence F. Godit	Springfield
Agawam	Eleanor H. Millett	Springfield
July 23	Charles Pinbeni	Agawam
West Springfield	Margaret Vetal	W. Springfield
July 26	Felix E. Tefa	Springfield
Agawam	Elizabeth M. Huber	Agawam
July 30	Frank A. Simmons	Enfield, Ct.
Agawam	Olga I. Ackerman	Agawam
August 7	Ernest Jasmin	Agawam
West Springfield	Elsie Lacey	W. Springfield
August 7	Emilio H. Rovelli	Springfield
Springfield	Lydia Ronchi	Agawam
August 7	Henry Carlson	Springfield
Agawam	Florence M. Nadeau	Agawam
August 8	Elton W. Halladay	Suffield, Ct.
Agawam	Elizabeth M. Marsh	Agawam
August 16	Fiore Liquori	Agawam
Springfield	Florence Bonavito	Springfield
August 18	Norman M. Little	Agawam
Lynn	Hannah Crowell	Lynn

August 25	Benjamin F. White	Jackson, Mich.
Agawam	Jennie E. S. Twining	Agawam
September 1	Charles B. Bailey	Agawam
Agawam	Pearl M. Matthews	Agawam
September 2	George F. Fearn	Agawam
Brattleboro, Vt.	Florence G. Patterson	Agawam
September 3	Alfred J. St. John	Agawam
Agawam	Rhea E. Duclos	Agawam
September 3	Peter P. Trimboli	Agawam
Springfield	Bernice I. Gebo	Longmeadow
September 3	Edmond A. Gosselin	Agawam
Greenfield	Mildred S. Bessette	Greenfield
September 11	Dominick F. Maiolo	Agawam
Agawam	Catherine M. Chriscolo	Agawam
September 17	Douglas F. Knight	Springfield
Agawam	Ruth E. E. Mc Manus	Springfield
September 18	Wendell M. Gosse	Springfield
Agawam	Lucille S. Crouss	Agawam
September 20	Sam Barbero	Agawam
Agawam	Mary Longo	W. Springfield
September 26	Thomas F. Downs	Springfield
Agawam	Marie L. Roy	Agawam
October 7	Antonio Liquori	Agawam
Springfield	Margaret Albano	Springfield
October 9	Joseph E. Lynch	Agawam
West Springfield	Beatrice Cadigan	W. Springfield
October 10	Howard F. Conner	Agawam
Agawam	Margaret A. D. Raymond	Farmington, Me.
October 11	Carmino Cardaropoli	Springfield
Springfield	Micolina De Maio	Agawam
October 16	Carlo C. Florio	Springfield
Springfield	Lillian M. Provost	Agawam
October 20	Walter A. Southworth	Springfield
Agawam	Corrine A. Wright	Agawam
October 22	Pietro Mancini	Agawam
Springfield	Erminia Funai	Springfield
October 22	James K. Wilson	Agawam
Springfield	Julia M. Murphy	Springfield
October 25	Leslie A. Martinez	Suffield, Ct.
Agawam	Marie C. Evans	Agawam
November 14	David W. Stiles	Springfield
Springfield	Anna S. Ackerman	Agawam
November 15	Albert W. Furrows	Westfield
Agawam	Louisa E. Potter	Agawam
November 22	Carl J. Moccio	Agawam
Agawam	Pasqualina E. DiDonato	Agawam
November 29	Sileo C. Castelli	Agawam
Agawam	Alma A. Ferrero	Agawam
November 29	Warren C. Bodurtha	Agawam
Agawam	Clintina L. Wright	Agawam

December 5	W. Simpson Clark	Agawam
West Springfield	Mildred I. Swartz	W. Springfield
December 27	Joseph P. Sheehan	Hartford, Conn.
Agawam	Ecla M. Ressia	Agawam
December 27	Henry G. Dickinson	Agawam
West Springfield	Pauline B. DeMarco	Agawam
December 27	Andrew Poggi	Agawam
West Springfield	Lena Piagetti	W. Springfield

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1928

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age y	m	d	Cause of Death
Jan. 3	Carl O. Asp	46	5	18	Chronic Myocarditis
Jan. 14	Thomas Crumie	63	0	0	Angina Pectoris
Jan. 21	Kate M. Lord	85	11	19	Chronic Nephritis
Jan. 23	Alice White	61	10	11	Diabetes Mellitus
Jan. 28	John Buonavito, Jr.	0	11	23	Broncho Pneumonia
Jan. 30	Alice E. Barber	0	6	0	Pertussis
Jan. 31	Noel Houle	82	0	0	Chronic Nephritis
Feb. 10	Giusseppina Boscacci	50	0	0	Broncho Pneumonia
Feb. 10	Charles E. Norton	76	5	14	Chronic Myocarditis
Feb. 13	Margaret E. Burke	80	0	0	Chronic Myocarditis
Feb. 16	Catherine B. Mc Cann	72	0	0	Lobar Pneumonia
Feb. 20	Mary W. Roberts	86	4	5	Chronic Myocarditis
Mar. 2	Bessie A. L. Diegel	72	5	9	Arterio Sclerosis
Mar. 6	Stephen P. Bush	85	1	7	Arterio Myocarditis
Mar. 7	Lavinia J. W. Cook	90	7	9	Chronic Myocarditis
Mar. 8	George Bourdo	58	7	5	Broncho Pneumonia
Mar. 14	Albert A. Gates	87	5	17	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Mar. 24	Myrtle L. Y. Trabold	26	1	13	Broncho Pneumonia
Mar. 29	Martha C. R. Sawyer	83	4	3	Senility
Mar. 30	Rose M. Morrison	48	0	0	Influenza
Mar. 31	Sarah E. P. Fuller	85	2	27	Cataeehal Bronchitis
Mar. 31	Josephine M. D. Harper	78	2	5	Bronchial Pneumonia
Apr. 1	John O'Connell	61	0	0	Pistol shot Wound
Apr. 2	Sadie M. C. Bryant	42	6	26	Lobar Pneumonia
Apr. 7	Leodure Champigny	52	10	28	Broncho Pneumonia
Apr. 13	August F. Ackerman	63	7	19	Gastric Carcinoma
Apr. 14	Barbara R. Myers	1	11	10	Convulsions
Apr. 17	Vincenzo Mercadante	73	0	0	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Apr. 24	Alvin L. Brown	21	6	18	Struck by Automobile
Apr. 27	Gerald T. O'Brien	2	5	22	Drowned
May 4	Shirley M. Dahlke	0	11	25	Broncho Pneumonia
May 4	Madeline Buoniconti	4	0	0	Burned
May 5	Lillie G. Lewis	70	5	11	Cerebral Hemorrhage
May 7	William E. Duncan	59	6	0	Diabetis Toxemia
May 10	Pricilla C. Daigneau	74	10	11	Nephritis
May 11	Bridget M. Wells	62	8	26	Arterio Sclerosis
May 11	Jeanne Draghetti	0	5	13	Broncho Pneumonia
May 23	Florence M. L. Talmadge	52	3	10	Myocarditis

May	30	Alice M. F. Spears	80	5	20	Nephritis
May	5	Albert W. Gates	49	4	2	Auto accident
June	5	Flora E. F. Ahl	71	0	19	Carcinoma
June	23	Teresa C. Contardi	80	0	0	Chronic Myocarditis
June	24	Minnie E. D. Stebbins	60	10	0	Cancer
June	25	Mary E. Dumond	0	9	10	Status Lymphaticus
July	6	J. Arsene Roy	77	8	22	Cerebral Apoplexy
July	22	John Mandirole	60	0	0	Chronic Nephritis
July	24	John Moran	69	0	0	Chronic Myocarditis
Aug.	1	Joseph F. Vocesky	20	0	17	Diabetes
Aug.	10	Lawrence F. Connor	3	6	16	Diptheria
Aug.	17	Madeline Bairdi	69	0	0	Chronic Endocarditis
Aug.	19	Harry Gatti	3	10	9	Cerebrospinal Meningitis
Aug.	24	Willie E. Cooley	74	1	15	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Aug.	25	Alif P. R. Billings	45	11	27	Hematemesis
Aug.	27	Norman Little	29	0	0	Drowned
Aug.	27	Barden P. Cox	28	0	0	Drowned
Sept.	7	Luke Briotta	6	4	28	Airplane accident
Sept.	7	Abraham H. Mazer	21	3	1	Airplane accident
Sept.	7	Charles Potholm	25	4	7	Airplane accident
Sept.	10	Matilda D. Twine	23	0	0	Tuberculosis
Sept.	11	Constantino Morris	5	0	0	Tetanus
Sept.	18	Edwin M. Hitchcock	55	0	0	Septicemia
Sept.	30	Mary T. Ferioli	72	4	14	Chronic Nephritis
Oct.	9	Sarah E. J. Kuralt	44	7	4	Brights Disease
Oct.	13	Veronica W. Tisdel	25	6	13	Acute Nephritis
Oct.	21	Catherine C. Murphy	65	0	0	Arterio Sclerosis
Oct.	18	Emily E. W. Hoadley	80	1	19	Apoplexy
Nov.	1	Napoleon Bascom	74	1	16	Gastric Carcinoma
Nov.	3	Louis N. Jolly	21	1	28	Acute Endocarditis
Nov.	3	Rosemandy M. Forkey	67	3	12	Chronic Myocarditis
Nov.	4	Hannah L. J. Heathcote	73	0	18	Lobar Pneumonia
Nov.	11	Antoinette D. Gagnon	27	5	22	Septicaemia
Nov.	21	Nellie Di Donato	8	5	0	Broncho Pneumonia
Nov.	26	Michael Deviney	45	0	0	Angina Pectoris
Dec.	7	George Gillan	58	3	23	Cerebral Apoplexy
Dec.	4	Ella J. C. Shaw	70	4	20	Cardio vascular renal
Dec.	7	Edward Everett Fiske	63	4	19	Dynamite explosion
Dec.	10	Bessie S. Dame	69	5	7	Carcinoma
Dec.	16	Jean L. Snell	1	2	16	Status Lymphaticus
Dec.	22	Arthur J. Gosselin	26	1	21	Acute Nephritis

Statistical Report

Births recorded	121
Marriages recorded	73
Deaths recorded	91
Mortgages recorded	25
Others recorded	5
Dogs licensed	754
Sporting licenses issued	509
Marriage licenses issued	77

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Town Clerk

Report of the Accounting Officer

To the Honorable the Board of Selectmen:

The annual report of the Accounting Department, covering the financial transactions of the Town of Agawam for the year 1928 is herewith submitted.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1927

Cash	$ 15,952.20	
Taxes 1923	73.87	
Taxes 1924	755.67	
Taxes 1925	9,572.33	
Taxes 1926	55,596.07	
Taxes 1927	110,418.56	
Accounts receivable		
County and State Aid to Highways	21,000.00	
Schools	32.00	
Sidewalks and Curbing	652.58	
Water Rates	4,635.29	
Water Entrances	691.38	
Tax Titles	310.00	
Land Damage	2,525.65	
Revenue Loans		$100,000.00
Overlay 1924		3,991.30
Overlay 1925		1,184.61
Overlay 1926		1,842.09
Overlay 1927		970.27
Trust fund Income		66.86
Departmental Revenue		32.00
Zoning and Rules Committee		500.00
Water Revenue		5,326.67

Tax Titles		310.00
Excess and Deficiency		59,052.90
Meadow Street pavement		31,665.95
Library		100.00
Grading High School Lot		200.00
Water Maintenance		16,972.95
	$222,215.60	$222,215.60

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE—TAXES

Current Year		
Property	$156,876.02	
Polls	2,100.00	
		$158,976.02
Previous Years		
Property	$118,227.07	
Polls	1,178.00	
		$119,405.07
From the State		
Corporation	$ 6,705.25	
Bank	9.42	
Income	39,402.90	
Soldiers Exemption	17.40	
		$ 46,134.97

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Licenses	$ 1,854.50	$ 1,854.50

FINES AND FORFEITS

Court	$ 2,165.13	$ 2,165.13

GRANTS AND GIFTS

From County, Dog Licenses	$ 1,415.65	$ 1,415.65

ALL OTHER GENERAL REVENUE			
Rents	$ 487.00	$	487.00
COMMERCIAL REVENUE			
Privileges			
Public Service	$ 154.55	$	154.55
DEPARTMENTAL			
Treasurer	$ 98.46		
Collector	83.24		
Town Clerk	112.00		
Sale of Materials	75.00		
Sealing of Weights and Measures	27.81		
Tuberculosis	67.86		
Sewers	875.65		
Highways			
Sidewalks and Curbing	596.90		
Miscellaneous	24.01		
Reimbursements for relief			
From Individuals	80.87		
From Cities and Towns	574.48		
From the State	340.43		
		$	2,956.71
Soldiers' Benefits			
State Aid	$ 96.00	$	96.00
SCHOOLS			
Tuition and Transportation of State Wards	$ 265.91		
Other Tuition	1,037.76		
Sale of Text Books and Supplies	61.25		
			$1,364.92
LIBRARIES			
Fines	$82.58		
			$82.58

UNCLASSIFIED

Return of check	$47.25	
		$47.25

PUBLIC SERVICES ENTERPRISES

Water		
Sale of Water	$18,792.23	
Miscellaneous, connections, etc.	2,594.45	

INTEREST

On Deposits	$529.51	
On Deferred Taxes	8,502.93	
On Public Trust Funds		
Library	806.49	
Cemetery	78.36	

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Anticipation of Revenue Loans	$225,000.00	
High School Bonds	100,000.00	

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

From State		
Non-Resident bank tax	$205.86	

REFUNDS

Overcharge office supplies	$1.20	
Accrued interest on High School Bond	55.56	
Total Cash receipts	$711,433.80	
Cash on Hand January 1, 1928	15,952.20	
		$727,386.00

RECAPITULATION

Receipts for the year 1928 from		
General Revenue	$330,438.34	
Commercial Revenue	4,702.01	
For Highway construction		
From State	18,175.90	

From County	1,550.96	
Water Department	21,386.68	
Interest	9,917.29	
Municipal Indebtedness		
Anticipation Revenue loans	225,000.00	
High School bonds	100,000.00	
Refunds	56.76	
Non-resident bank tax	205.86	
Cash on hand	15,952.20	
		$727,386.00

PAYMENTS
DEPARTMENTAL

General Government		
Legislative		
Moderator	$5.00	
Other Expenses	56.55	
		$61.55
Executive		
Selectmen	$1,140.00	
Other Expenses	42.18	
		$1,182.18
Financial		
Auditor, Accountant, and Auditing	$458.82	
State Audit	1,018.54	
Other Expenses	9.84	
		$1,487.20
Treasurer		
Salaries and Wages	$1,380.00	
Bond	175.00	
Other Expenses	88.09	
		$1,643.09

Collector		
Salaries and Wages	$1,513.50	
Bond	350.00	
Other Expenses	122.68	
		$1,986.18
Assessors		
Salaries and Wages	$2,573.75	
Other Expenses	419.05	
		$2,992.80
Other Finance Offices and Accounts		
Miscellaneous	$265.00	
		$265.00
Law		
Salaries and Wages	$2,128.63	
Other Expenses	35.00	
		$2,163.63
Town Clerk		
Salaries and Wages	$620.00	
Bond	5.00	
Other Expenses	92.56	
		$717.56
Election and Registration		
Salaries and Wages	$786.00	
Other Expenses	380.70	
		$1,166.70
Zoning Rules Committee	$515.13	
		$515.13
Municipal Buildings		
Salaries and Wages	$123.75	
Other Expenses	1,898.45	
		$2,022.20

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Police Department		
Salaries and Wages	$2,936.81	
Equipment (automobile)	625.00	
Other Expenses	626.43	
		$4,188.24
Fire Department		
Salaries and Wages	$1,325.63	
Equipment	1,789.36	
Fuel and Light	387.38	
Maintenance	343.15	
Other Expenses	126.22	
		$3,971.74
Inspection		
Sealing of Weights and Measures	$583.70	
		$583.70
Forestry		
Insect Pest Extermination	$592.26	
Planting and Trimming Trees	294.25	
Forest Fires	27.75	
		$914.26

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Health		
General Administration	$286.54	
Quarantine and Contagious Hospitals	454.00	
Tuberculosis		
Board and treatment	702.98	
Hospital Maintenance	928.10	
Vital Statistics	52.50	
Other Expenses	55.10	
		$2,479.22

Inspection		
Inspection of School Children	$2,178.11	
		$2,178.11
Inspection of Animals	216.00	
Inspection of Meat and Provisions	827.73	
		$1,043.73
Sanitation		
Sewer Maintenance and Operation	$1,259.84	
Garbage Disposal	350.00	
		$1,609.84

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

General		
Salaries and Wages		
Pay rolls	$7,070.95	
Teams and automobile hire	337.77	
Gravel, stone, tar, etc.	2,665.12	
		$10,073.84
Equipment and repairs		
Chevrolet Dump Motor truck	$932.00	
Snow plow	775.00	
Miscellaneous	1,461.92	
All other expenses	1,250.93	
		$4,419.85
Bridges		
Wages	$2.50	
Repairs and other expenses	52.70	
		$55.20
Sidewalk maintenance	$92.10	
		$92.10
Snow and Ice removal		
Pay rolls	$211.96	
		$211.96

Care of Parks	$65.10	
		$65.10
Construction		
River Street, North Agawam	$4,062.00	
School Street, Agawam Center	9,868.62	
Meadow Street, Agawam Center	30,163.27	
Sidewalks and curbing, No. Agawam	3,213.77	
Street signs	46.69	
All other	917.31	
		$48,271.66
Street Lighting		9,514.60
Numbering Streets		100.00
State Highway Tax		2,313.88
Total Highways		$75,118.19
CHARITIES		
General Administration	$608.24	
Outside Relief by Town	6,036.06	
Relief by Other Cities and Towns	1,030.56	
		$7,674.86
Soldiers' Benefits		
State Aid	$96.00	
		$96.00
SCHOOLS		
General Administration		
Salary of Superintendent	$4,450.02	
Salary of Clerk	1,600.08	
Salary of Truant Officer	650.00	
Printing, Stationery and postage	149.07	
Telephone	62.65	
Traveling expenses	204.90	
Supervisor's salaries	3,780.00	
All other general expenses	32.00	
		$10,928.72

Teachers' Salaries		
High	$20,613.00	
Elementary	60,399.50	
		$81,012.50
Principal's salary	$2,780.00	
		$2,780.00
Text Books and Supplies		
High		
Text and reference books	$725.44	
All other	1,625.88	
Elementary		
Text and reference books	2,514.05	
All others	2,718.52	
		$7,583.89
Tuition		
Elementary	$318.56	
Vocational	1,437.80	
		$1,756.36
Transportation		
High	$46.00	
Elementary	6,836.84	
		$6,882.84
Support of Truants	$104.58	
		$104.58
Janitors' services		
High	$1,622.02	
Elementary	6,982.47	
		$8,604.49
Fuel and Light		
High	$2,394.98	
Elementary	6,028.12	
		$8,423.10

Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds		
High		
Repairs	$1,430.50	
Janitor's supplies	34.96	
All other	610.66	
Grading High School lot	125.00	
Elementary		
Repairs	$4,063.00	
Janitor's supplies	122.61	
All other	1,186.59	
		$7,573.32
Furniture and Furnishings		
High	$724.49	
Elementary	810.91	
		$1,535.40
Other expenses		
Diplomas and graduation exercises	$144.00	
Miscellaneous printing	78.30	
All other	203.96	
		$426.26
Library		
High	$183.63	
Elementary	$149.39	
		$333.02
New Buildings	$44,327.97	
		$44,327.97
Total Schools		$182,272.45

LIBRARIES

Salaries and Wages		
Librarians and assistants	$404.60	
Books and Periodicals		
Books	1,332.76	

Fuel and light	9.00	
Buildings		
Repairs	100.00	
Other expenses		
Stationery and postage	27.23	
Express	.75	
All other	6.90	
Total Libraries		$1,881.24

UNCLASSIFIED

Damages to Persons and Property	$95.00	
Memorial Day	150.00	
Aid to Agriculture	400.00	
Printing Town Reports	366.02	
Liability Insurance	499.93	
		$1,510.95

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

Water Department		
Commissioners' Salaries	$300.00	
Superintendent	1,404.00	
Clerical	500.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	104.24	
All other	46.00	
Maturing Bonds	5,500.00	
Interest on Bonds	3,491.25	
		$11,345.49
General (for new construction)		
Labor	1,548.00	
Trucking	234.14	
Pipe and fittings	3,974.01	
Equipment	1,068.90	
		$6,825.05
Water purchased	2,854.54	
		$2,854.54
All other	620.69	
		$620.69

Service Pipe		
Labor pay rolls	1,209.00	
Pipe and fittings	1,465.72	
All other	65.92	
Total, Water Department		$24,386.41

CEMETERIES

Maple Grove Cemetery, labor	$8.50	
		$8.50

INTEREST AND MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Interest		
Anticipation Revenue Loans	$ 4,762.81	
High School Loan	8,600.00	
Bridge Loan	2,160.00	
Main St. Highway	720.00	
Meadow St. Highway	400.00	
Schools	3,453.75	
Sewer	640.00	
		$ 20,736.56
Municipal Indebtedness		
Anticipation Revenue Loans	$ 245,000.00	
High School Loan	13,000.00	
Bridge Loan	4,000.00	
Main St. Highway	6,000.00	
Meadow St. Highway	5,000.00	
Schools	8,000.00	
Sewer	1,000.00	
		$ 282,000.00

AGENCY TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Taxes		
State	$ 10,795.00	
County	12,782.00	
Other Public Trust Funds	30.25	
Private Trust Funds and Accounts	783.74	
Total, Agency		$ 24,390.99

REFUNDS

Taxes	$ 28.00	
Total, Refunds		$ 28.00
Total Payments		$ 653,326.21

Cash on Hand December 31, 1928		
Cash	$ 73,930.57	
Other Public Trust Funds	129.22	
		$ 74,059.79
		$ 727,386.00

RECAPITULATION

Payments for year 1928		
General Government	$ 16,203.22	
Protection to Persons and Property	9,657.94	
Health and Sanitation	7,310.90	
Highway Department	75,118.19	
Charities and Soldiers Benefits	7,770.86	
Schools	182,272.45	
Libraries	1,881.24	
Unclassified	1,510.95	
Public Service Enterprises	24,386.41	
Cemetery	8.50	
Interest and Maturing Debt		
Interest	20,736.56	
Municipal Indebtedness	282,000.00	
Agency Trust and Investment	24,390.99	
Refunds	28.00	
Cash and Other Public Trust funds	74,109.79	
Total payments and cash		$ 727,386.00

TRIAL BALANCE AFTER CLOSING BOOKS

DECEMBER 31, 1928

Cash	$ 74,109.79
Taxes 1924	560.41
Taxes 1925	2,657.74

Taxes 1926	13,888.23	
Taxes 1927	39,191.57	
Taxes 1928	102,122.47	
Accounts Receivable		
Health	105.71	
Estimated Receipts	829.56	
Sewer Entrances	15.25	
Public Welfare	1,080.47	
Schools	214.70	
Sidewalks 1927	279.11	
Sidewalks 1928	959.00	
Water Rates	4,049.41	
Water Entrances	197.74	
Tax Titles	517.36	
Revenue Loans		$ 80,000.00
Surplus War Bonus		2,701.14
Overlay 1923		7.65
Overlay 1924		3,993.80
Overlay 1925		805.01
Overlay 1926		1,724.01
Overlay 1927		876.07
Overlay 1928		929.82
Special Assessment Revenue		1,238.11
Phelon Library Fund		27.52
Departmental Revenue		1,416.13
Water Revenue		4,247.15
Tax Title Revenue		517.36
Excess and Deficiency		47,510.80
Alteration High School Building		5,000.00
High School Addition		75,672.03
Water Maintenance		14,010.22
Old Cemetery Fund		63.68
Maple Grove Cemetery Fund		38.02
	$240,778.52	$240,778.52

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Appro.	Addi.	Expend.
Assessors	$ 3,000.00	$	$ 2,992.80
Town Buildings	2,000.00	25.00	2,022.20
Town Clerk , Treas. and Coll.	2,500.00		2,500.00
Town Office	4,800.00	2,000.00	6,624.55
Surety Bonds	450.00	80.00	530.00
Forestry	1,100.00		914.26
Fire Department	4,000.00		3,971.74
Police Department	4,200.00		4,188.24
Health	2,000.00	525.00	2,479.22
Highways and Bridges	20,000.00		19,944.05
Schools	140,000.00		139,997.59
Public Welfare	5,500.00	2,700.00	7,674.86
Sealers	600.00		583.70
Inspector of Meats and Animals	1,200.00		1,043.73
Libraries	1,915.65		1,881.24
State Aid	100.00		96.00
Sewers and Sanitation	1,000.00	875.65	1,609.84
Reserve Fund	1,000.00		1,000.00
Street Lights	9,500.00	15.00	9,514.60
Interest	22,000.00		20,736.56
Debt	37,000.00		37,000.00
Memorial Day	150.00		150.00
Liability Insurance	400.00	100.00	499.93
County Aid to Agriculture	400.00		400.00
House Numbering	100.00		100.00
Sidewalks and Curbing	3,000.00	220.00	3,213.77
Care of North Cemetery	50.00		
School Street Construction	10,000.00		9,868.62
Meadow St. for 1927-1928	19,000.00		18,723.21
Zoning Rules Committee	300.00	20.00	315.13
Unclassified	540.00		461.02

Treasurer's Report

Year ending December 31, 1928

Cash on hand January 1, 1928	$ 15,952.20
Receipts 1928	711,433.80
Total	$727,386.00
Payments 1928	$653,326.21
Cash on hand December 31, 1928	$ 74,059.79

TRUST FUNDS

Whiting Street Fund		
On Hand January 1, 1928		
Cash	$ 1,092.57	
Securities	5,500.00	
Received		
Income from fund	316.59	
		$ 6,909.16
Paid orders of Trustees	279.10	
On Hand December 31, 1928		
Cash	$ 1,130.06	
Securities	5,500.00	
		$ 6,909.16

Desire A. Pyne Fund

On Hand January 1, 1928		
Securities	$ 2,000.00	
Cash	185.81	
Income	$ 91.00	
		$ 2,276.81
Expenditures		
For Worthy Poor	$ 38.50	
On Hand December 31, 1928		
Securities	2,000.00	
Cash	238.31	
		$ 2,276.81

Phelon School Fund

On Hand January 1, 1928		
Securities	$ 4,150.00	
Cash	804.08	
Income from fund	192.27	
		$ 5,146.35
On Hand December 31, 1928		
Securities	$ 4,150.00	
Cash	996.35	
		$ 5,146.35

Maple Grove Cemetery Fund

Securities on Hand	$ 500.00	
Income	46.52	
		$ 546.52
Paid Trust Fund Income	$ 46.52	
On Hand December 31, 1928		
Securities on hand	500.00	
		$ 546.52

Davis Library Fund

Income for 1928	$ 783.74	
		$ 783.74

Expenses, Paid to F. A. Worthington, Treas.	$ 783.74	
		$ 783.74
Phelon Library Fund		
On Hand January 1, 1928		
Securities	$ 500.00	
Income	22.75	
		$ 522.75
On Hand December 31, 1928		
Securities	$ 500.00	
Paid Trust Fund Income	22.75	
		$ 522.75
Old Cemetery Fund		
Securities on hand January 1, 1928	$ 700.00	
Income	31.84	
		$ 731.84
On Hand December 31, 1928		
Securities	$ 700.00	
Paid to Trust Fund Income	31.84	
		$ 731.84

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Treasurer

LIABILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 1928

Fourteen bonds of $1,000. payable annually Oct. 1, 1929-1942 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%, water loan	$ 14,000.00
Bonds of 1913 water loan payable $3,500. annually, July 1, 1929-1943 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	47,500.00
Water Bonds of 1917, payable $1,000. annually, Oct. 1929-1942 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	14,000.00
1916 Schoolhouse loan, $1,000. payable annually, July 1, 1929-1934 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	6,000.00
1917 Schoolhouse loan, $1,000. payable annually, Sept. 1, 1929-1932 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	4,000.00
Sewer bonds of 1916, payable $1,000. annually, Dec. 1, 1929-1943 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	15,000.00
High School bonds, $13,000. annually, Sept. 1, 1929-1931; $12,000. annually, Sept. 1, 1932-1941, to Old Colony Trust Co., at 5%	159,000.00
Schoolhouse loan of 1924, payable $3,000. annually, June 1, 1929-1930; $2,000. June 1, 1931-1944 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4¼%	34,000.00
Schoolhouse loan of 1925, payable $3,000. annually, June 1, 1929-1940 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	35,000.00

Memorial Bridge loan, payable $4,000. annually, Oct. 1, 1929-1930; $3,000. annually, Oct. 1, 1931-1944 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	50,000.00	
Highway loan, payable $2,000. annually, Oct. 1929-1933 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	10,000.00	
Highway loan of 1925, payable $4,000. annually, June 1, 1929 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	4,000.00	
Meadow Street loan of 1927, payable $5,000. annually, Nov. 15, 1929 to Old Colony Corp., at 4%	5,000.00	
Temporary loans	80.000.00	
High School Addition, Nov. 1, 1928, payable $10,000. yearly Nov. 1st 1929-1938 at 4%, Old Colony Co.	100,000.00	
		$577,500.00

REPORT OF

Selectmen, Overseers of the Poor and Board of Health

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The aim of this department is to help the needy in such a way as to make them self supporting as soon as possible.

Medical attention and hospital care have been given where necessary and fuel, food and clothing supplied. We find that most of the cases are temporary, due to sickness or unemployment, these usually become self supporting in a few weeks. The amount of aid rendered ranges from half a ton of coal to full support in some cases.

During the year 33 families or a total of 128 people have received aid, 27 new cases have been reported in this year, 12 of which we found upon investigation were chargeable to other towns or to the state.

We have received $995.78 in reimbursements for such cases as are now living in Agawam but have settlements elsewhere.

HIGHWAYS

The program for highway work this year was somewhat different in some respects from other years as part of our regular appropriation was spent upon a permanent road on River Street from Bridge Street to the Worthy Paper Mill.

Approximately two thousand yards of cinders were placed upon a number of streets as well as much gravel, culverts were installed where badly needed, and wooden and steel guard rails were placed at some of our most dangerous places. A car load of Calcium Chloride was placed upon the dirt roads and proved very satisfactory, four warning signs were procured this year and placed at dangerous intersections.

A New Chevrolet Truck, grader and road drags as well as small tools and equipment were purchased, bringing the department to a higher plane of efficiency.

ZONING

In July the Zoning ordinance went into effect requiring every one building or remodeling in Agawam to make out an application to build or remodel according to the requirements of the by-laws.

Since the enactment of the law approximately sixty have made application for permits and a number not meeting the requirements have been denied.

We also find that a great many have not paid any attention to the enactment of the zoning law and have built without permits, therefore making themselves liable to a court fine as well as having to move the building or tearing it down altogether.

Applications can be procured any time that the town office is open, then the application will be acted upon by the Zoning Commissioner, if he makes an adverse decision the applicant can then take it up with the Board of Appeals.

BOARD OF HEALTH

In reviewing the records of previous years we see that most contagious diseases travel in cycles; apparently this has been the year of scarlet fever, but we are happy to report that altho there have been a large number of cases we have not had an epidemic.

Our tuberculosis cases are always expensive, also our share of maintaining the tuberculosis hospital is a big item.

Diphtheria cases have been noticeable by their scarcity. This may mean one of two things, either this dreaded disease is dying out or we are at the low ebb before an epidemic; whichever may be the case we believe that now is the time to immunize our children, as most of our surrounding cities and towns are doing.

CHARLES W. HULL
JAMES F. KIRBY
RILEY S. FARNSWORTH

Report of the Chief of Police

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you the annual report of the Police Department from January 1, 1928 to December 31, 1928 inclusive.

ARRESTS

Assault	3
Adultery	2
Automobile Violations	37
Breaking and Entering	5
Breach of the Peace	3
Bastardy	1
Cruelty to Animals	2
Carrying Revolver	1
Drunkenness	63
Fugitive from Justice	3
Fornication	4
Gaming on the Lords Day	8
Insane	3
Larceny	21
Liquor Violations	12
Non-Support	3
Neglected Children	1
Stubbornness	10
Suspects	2
Trespass	2
Vagrancy	4
Violation Probation	5
Total number of Arrests	195

DISPOSITION

Continued day to day	16
Defaulted	1
Discharged	4
Filed	6
Fined	103
Escaped from Springfield	1
House of Correction	5
Northampton (Insane Hospital)	3
Probation	14
Restitution	4
Released	4
Sentenced to Concord	1
Sentenced to Lyman School	2
Sentenced to Shirley	3
Sentenced to State Farm	8
Suspended Sentences	16
Turned to U. S. Army Officer	1
To other Police	3
Total	195

Total Amount of Fines Imposed	$ 5,025.13
Total Amount turned back to Town Treasury	2,165.13
Restitution	1,650.00
Value of Stolen Property Recovered	400.00
Value of Stolen Automobiles Recovered	2,750.00
Summons served for other Police Depts.	220

In submitting this, my second Police Report to the Town of Agawam, I wish to state that I believe we have passed through a very successful year in regard to the suppression of crime and disorders in general.

There has been an unusual large amount of arrests made, considering a Town of this size, and I believe Law and Order have been maintained to a very successful degree, which was made possible by the assistance and co-operation of the Special Officers, the State Police and the Public in general.

Respectfully submitted,

PERLEY J. HEWEY

Chief of Police

Report of Board of Fire Engineers

For the Year Ending December 31,1928

Our report for the year 1928 is submitted with more than the usual amount of pride.

The loss sustained by fire is much lower than last year. Also the calls made on the Department were reduced by about 40%. This we feel, is an indication that our Townspeople are getting more into the spirit of Fire Prevention.

Fire Prevention is a personal as well as a Civic obligation. More so in a Town like Agawam with its Volunteer Department of Sixty Men and Officers than in a larger place with a paid Department with regulars on duty at all hours of the day and night.

The members of the Department are, as you perhaps know, working men, who are called from their Employment, at an Alarm of Fire. This they do unselfishly, and any effort made by the Citizens of Agawam to prevent fires is greatly appreciated by them.

During the past year much first class equipment was purchased for the three units of our Department, and much more is needed. It was our desire last year to purchase a new Fire Truck, for one of the Stations. This we were not able to do, but sincerely hope that the people will be able to see a way to let us do so next year. This should be done this year, next year and the year following, equipping each unit of the Department with a first class powerful piece of Fire Protection. We think that the old machines which have seen ten years of hard usage should be kept, put in as good shape as possible and use as light hose carts and to go to grass and brush fires with. This class of fires claims a good deal of the Department's time at certain seasons of the year.

It is not our desire to give the Town a better Fire Department than it deserves, but a Town like Agawam with its hundreds of beautiful homes and public buildings needs the very best that its citizens can afford to give it.

During a fire at North Agawam this past year one of the members of Co. No. 1 Station at North Agawam broke his arm, this was the only accident of the year of a serious nature. We wish at this time to publicly extend our sympathy to this man, and to thank each and every Officer and Member in the entire Department for their unselfish and efficient service.

Following is a list of calls made upon the Department during the year 1928:

Dwellings	16
Barns	2
Garage	2
Trolley Cars	1
Automobiles	4
Brush	7
Grass	17
False	3
Answering calls out of district	6
Total calls	58

Total loss ..... $ 28,000.00

Sincerely,

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN, Chairman
JAMES W. SHEA, Purchasing Agent
FRANK T. GOSS, Secretary

Assessors' Report

To the Selectmen of the Town of Agawam, Mass.

As will be noted from the table herein given, the total valuation of the Town has this year passed the Nine Million Dollar mark. While this is indicative of the rapid and favorable growth of the Town, it must be realized that with this growth the requirements and work of all the various departments is proportionally increased.

In this department it is found that there is even at the present time a definite demand for the full time services of at least one person. It is hoped that arrangements may be made to meet this demand at least partially in the near future.

Attention is called to the new motor vehicle excise tax law which became operative on January first of this year.

By the provisions of this law, registered motor vehicles will be taxed on an excise basis rather than as a personal property tax. Unregistered vehicles will continue to be taxed as personal property.

The amount of the excise tax on each registered machine is definitely determined under the direction of the State Department of Taxation and Corporations, and is levied by this department.

The valuation basis of this tax is not indicative of the present sale value of each individual machine, but is determined by the State Department as provided in this new law.

While a considerable number of people have complied with the provisions of law relative to the filing of property lists between April first and May fifteenth, it is urged that everyone who owns either personal or real property in the Town comply with this requirement. Blanks for this purpose may be obtained from the Assessors or at the Town office.

During the year progress has been made in compiling Assessors' maps of the Town and it is hoped that the work may be continued as rapidly as possible.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Horses	305
Cows	569
Sheep	30
Neat cattle	117
Swine	295
Fowls	9,577
Value of fowls	$9,577.00
Houses	2,039
Acres of land	13,907

VALUATIONS

Buildings	$4,996,612.00	
Land	2,855,178.00	
Total Real Estate		$7,851,790.00
Personal Estate		1,220,277.00
Total valuation		$9,072,067.00

Upon which taxes have been levied as follows:

County tax	$ 12,782.00	
State tax	10,795.00	
State Highway tax	2,313.88	
State Auditing tax	1,018.54	
Overlay deficit (1920)	105.01	
Overlay deficit (1921)	222.41	
Overlay deficit (1923)	604.13	
Town appropriations	301,450.00	
Overlay for current year	1,338.53	
		$330,629.50

Less estimated receipts:

Income tax	$ 34,658.80
Corporation tax	5,800.00
Bank tax	50.00
Licenses	1,300.00

Fines	1,800.00	
Special assessments	150.00	
Protection of persons and property	125.00	
Health and Sanitation	50.00	
Charities	35.00	
Soldiers' benefits	80.00	
Schools	2,000.00	
Libraries	50.00	
Interest on deposits	200.00	
Interest on taxes and assessments	6,800.00	
Rentals	300.00	
Bills in lieu of taxes	750.00	
		$ 54,148.80
Free cash in Treasury	15,000.00	
Total deductions		$ 69,148.80
Net amount to be raised on Polls and Property		$261,480.70
Number of Polls—1917 at $2.00 each		3,834.00
Tax on Personal and Real Estate at $28.40		257,646.70
To Henry E. Bodurtha, Tax Collector, was committed for collection, the sum of		261,480.70
Omitted assessments		12.50
		$261,493.20

ADOLPHUS PROVOST,
CLARENCE H. GRANGER,
PAUL B. JOHNSON,
Assessors

Report of Tax Collector

1928		
Tax committed	$261,494.70	
Omitted assessments	12.50	
		$261,507.20
Cash paid the treasurer	$158,976.02	
Abatements	408.71	
Uncollected taxes	102,122.47	
		$261,507.20
Previous Years		
Adjusted balance, January 1, 1928	$176,497.42	
		$176,497.42
Cash paid treasurer	$119,405.07	
Abatements and adjustments	794.40	
Uncollected, December 31, 1928	56,297.95	
		$176,497.42

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
Collector

Auditor's Report

February 15, 1929

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector for the year 1928 as set forth in his annual report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief they are correctly and accurately recorded.

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD,
Auditor

REPORT OF THE

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE COOPERATING WITH THE HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE 1928

To the Voters of Agawam:

Agawam annually appropriates $400 to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture. The Hampden County Improvement League, as their agents, uses this money to help pay the cost of Extension work in this town.

The County Agricultural Agent co-operated with five farm owners in growing alfalfa, twelve in poultry management, six in orchard work and seven in tuberculin testing. There are three members of the Herd Improvement Association in Agawam. In addition to this more than thirty farmers and home owners have asked the county agent for recommendations in selecting stock, in poultry work, crops, fruit growing and cattle feeding. It has required a large number of farm calls and personal service.

The Home Bureau agents conducted work in Agawam, West Agawam and Feeding Hills. Twenty-one local volunteer leaders assisted the agents. The leaders attended training conferences at the League in order to prepare themselves for the work. One hundred and seventy-three were enrolled in the projects. The Home Bureau agents and leaders held forty-three meetings that had a total attendance of four hundred and nineteen women. Much credit is due the leaders for the assistance they rendered. The two Home Bureau committees helped the agents very materially in planning the work. The committee consisted of Mrs. Arnold Peterson, Mrs. Blanche Bodurtha and Mrs. Hendrick Fickweiler, Mrs. William Costine, Mrs Frank Belden and Mrs. C. H. Granger.

Agawam is a real 4-H club town. There were club members in Agawam, West Agawam, North Agawam and Feeding Hills. The total enrollment being 180. Miss Edith C. Hull and Mrs. Lee Jenks directed the work as local leaders and Miss Marion Allen, Miss Amy Cote and Miss Alma Colson as Junior leaders. Out of eleven county club champions, Agawam had two, Joseph Raplus was county pig club champion and Elbert L. Jenks, Baby Beef club champion. Elbert's steer fed and trained by him, was grand champion Baby Beef, at the Eastern States Exposition, shown in the open class was champion Angus and Grand Champion Beef animal of the Show, all beef breeds competing. Elbert was chosen by the State Leader as State Baby Beef Club Champion. Four-H club boys and girls won over $644.50 at the Eastern States Exposition. The local junior exhibit was of a high order.

Marion Allen was chosen by the State Club Leader as one of two most outstanding club girls to represent the State at the International 4-H Club Congress at Chicago.

Harold Atwater, H. A. Marotte and Lee Jenks are town directors of the League and Mrs. Dwight Hawley is director at large.

We respectfully request a continuation of this appropriation and the cooperation of the citizens of Agawam for 1929.

HERMON W. KING,
GEORGE S. COOK,
MRS. JOHN P. KIRBY,
MRS. WILLIAM G. DWIGHT,
HARRY C. LANE,
R. FRANK McELWAIN,
HORACE A. MOSES,
FRED D. ROGERS,
FREDERICK A. UPHAM,

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture,

By: P. A. Campbell, Clerk

REPORT OF

Board of Water Commissioners

RECEIPTS

From Water Rents	$ 18,792.23	
From Water Connections	2,594.45	
		$ 21,386.68

EXPENDITURES

Superintendent	$ 1,404.00	
Printing and Postage	104.24	
Other administration	846.00	
Labor	1,209.00	
Teams	1,068.90	
Meters and freight	620.69	
Repairing meters	1,465.72	
Pipe and Fittings	65.92	
Connection on Line Street	5,756.15	
Water	2,854.54	
Bonds and Interest	8,991.25	
		$ 24,386.41

WALTER S. KERR
DENNIS M. CROWLEY
JOHN L. BURKE

Water Commissioners

Report of Library Trustees

BOOKS

Number at Agawam	8,468
Number at Feeding Hills	5,680
Number at North Agawam	1,887

CIRCULATION

Agawam	16,035
Feeding Hills	9,442
North Agawam	8,820

BORROWERS

Agawam	750
Feeding Hills	382
North Agawam	770

CLARENCE H. GRANGER
ANNA H. RUDMAN
IDA BERNATCHEZ

Library Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

School Committee

and the

Superintendent of Schools

of the Town of

AGAWAM, MASS.

For the Year Ending December 31

1928

Agawam Public Schools

ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD

Clifford M. Granger, Chairman — Term expires March, 1929
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

Mrs. Grace B. Reed — Term expires March, 1929
Post Office Address, Agawam

Joseph L. Roy — Term expires March, 1930
Post Office Address, Mittineague

Sidney F. Atwood, Secretary — Term expires March, 1930
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

Arthur Rudman — Term expires March, 1931
Post Office Address, Agawam

Thomas H. Stapleton — Term expires March, 1931
Post Office Address, Agawam

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Benjamin J. Phelps
Telephone: 4-2831

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1929

Winter Term—January 2 to March 29
Spring Term—April 8 to June 7, Elementary Schools
Spring Term—April 8 to June 14, Junior-Senior High School
Fall Term—September 3 to December 20

OFFICE HOURS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

High School Building—School Days, 8.30-9.00 A. M., and by appointment.

SECRETARY

Emma Mellor
Telephone 2-7176

HOURS OF SESSIONS

Elementary Schools
9.00—12.00 A. M.
1.00—3.30 P. M.

Junior High School
9.00—12.00 A. M.
12.30—3.00 P. M.

Senior High School
9.00 A. M.—12.30 P. M.
1.00—3.00 P. M.

REPORT OF

School Committee

We herewith present for your consideration our annual report as a Committee. Our Superintendent's message to the townspeople becomes each year more comprehensive, and the supervisors' reports are also becoming more numerous and varied. Such being the case a report from your School Committee seems, as it were, to be a sort of useless gesture. Consequently, a very brief word from them should be sufficient to fulfill all traditionary requirements.

We have noticed that many of the more progressive towns and cities of this state are trying to make more adequate provision for school play grounds and school athletic fields. We are sure that any modern up to date High School should include as a part of its equipment a first class Athletic field. This matter has been under discussion for several years but no definite legal action has as yet been taken. As a point of economy that proposition should receive favorable action at the earliest possible moment.

At the annual town meeting, last March, a Committee was appointed, by the moderator, to investigate the need of additional school accommodations, with instructions to report their findings and recommendations at a later meeting.

A special town meeting was held in June, and the report of the investigating committee was heard at that time. They were unanimous in recommending an addition to the present High School Building. Tentative sketches were shown wherein pro-

vision was made for relief along the following lines: first, more class room space for Junior High classes; second, additional locker room space for both boys and girls; third, more space for Manual Training and Typewriting; fourth, a play room or gymnasium for the girls and their gymnastic work; fifth, new rooms for General Science and Agricultural laboratories; sixth, rooms for our mentally retarded pupils. An appropriation of $125,000 was voted for the erection and furnishing of such an addition. The moderator appointed as a Building Committee, J. L. Roy, C. W. Hull, F. W. Kellogg, Harry Jones, Frank Goss and C. M. Granger.

Your School Committee are hopeful that this building will relieve the congestion now obtaining at North Agawam, Agawam Center, Springfield Street and the High School itself. When this addition is completed Agawam should have as fine a high school layout as any town of its size in this state.

It gives us much pleasure to report that we were able to operate our school system during the year just closed without exceeding the amount of our budget.

For the year 1929 we shall be obliged to ask for a somewhat larger appropriation than we had in 1928. Our enlarged high school plant will necessitate extra teachers, additional supplies and textbooks, more Janitor service and increased fuel, water and light costs. In making up our budget we always figure the various items very closely and we feel that the tax payers appreciate that fact.

The Committee are very much pleased with the improved form of transportation now prevailing in the Feeding Hills part of the town and in a portion of the Agawam precinct. We hope, at an early date, to be able to furnish similar busses on all the transportation lines in town.

Our expenditures for repairs and maintenance have been unusually large during the past year. Much of this repair work had formerly been looked after by the Selectmen. Much needed

repairs were made at North Agawam, at Feeding Hills Center, at the Suffield Street School, and at Agawam Center.

In closing our report we, as a Committee, wish to thank the parents and citizens of this town for their cordial and generous support during the year 1928.

Respectfully submitted,

S. F. ATWOOD,
JOSEPH L. ROY,
GRACE B. REED,
THOS. H. STAPLETON,
ARTHUR RUDMAN,
CLIFFORD M. GRANGER.

Financial Statement of Schools

December 31, 1928

General Expense	$ 7,148.72
Salaries of Teachers	87,572.50
Text Books	3,280.38
Stationery, Supplies, Miscl.	4,477.43
Wages of Janitors	8,604.49
Fuel	7,297.33
Miscellaneous Operating Expense	2,066.99
Repairs, etc.	5,437.63
Libraries	352.25
Health	2,178.11
Transportation	6,882.84
Tuition	1,860.94
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,272.48
Outlay-New Equipment	1,565.50
Total	$139,997.59

Superintendent's Report

To the School Committee of Agawam:

Gentlemen:

My usual method of procedure in writing the annual report has been to select some keynote, such as "Education from the Standpoint of an Equal Educational Opportunity", or "Economy of Time in the Administration of Schools", and with said keynote as a centralizing factor write a short survey of the work in the Agawam public schools for the current year. This year, for the most part, my report will center about the field of statistics and so might be termed a statistical survey of the Agawam schools. These statistics will cover the following items:—Cost of Education in Agawam; Promotion and Classification of Pupils; Health, and Attendance Reports; also data in regard to Teachers.

COST OF EDUCATION

One of the big factors in the support of any project is the number of units for which provision must be made. The cost of maintaining a large family is greater than the expense of bringing up a small family. The cost of supporting a large pupil population is more than the cost of maintaining a small school enrollment. The following table lists a few towns that employ in most instances from 45 to 65 teachers. The list is selected from Group II of the State Returns, in which Agawam belongs.

TABLE 1

Towns	Population, State Census 1925	Pupils Enrolled	Number of Teachers
Bridgewater	9,468	1,648	60
Stoneham	9,084	1,542	57
Swampscott	8,953	1,556	65
Ludlow	8,802	1,798	59
Ware	8,629	1,368	45
Montague	7,973	1,685	62
Rockland	7,966	1,459	51
South Hadley	6,609	1,438	48
*Agawam	6,290	1,625	56
Amherst	5,972	1,277	52
Monson	5,089	729	29

My purpose in presenting the above table is to show that in Agawam there is an extraordinary number of public school children in comparison with other towns of about the same population. A glance at the list of towns makes the above fact self-evident. A few significant points may, however, be indicated.

The public school population of Agawam is approximately the same as that of Bridgewater, yet there are only 6,290 people in Agawam as compared with 9,468 in Bridgewater. Again, Ware with a population of 8,629 has almost three hundred less pupils in number to support than Agawam. Amherst with a population but few less than Agawam has 1,277 pupils enrolled, which number is 348 less than the pupil enrollment of Agawam.

The three largest items of expense in a school budget are Buildings, Equipment and Teachers. There is no need of argument to prove that more classrooms and equipment are necessary, and a larger number of teachers imperative for a larger number of pupils than for a smaller number. The expense grows very fast inasmuch as for approximately thirty pupils a classroom with appropriate equipment must be provided as well as a teacher. The cost of building and equipping a classroom at the present time is $8,000. The average salary for a teacher is $1,275.

We have a large school family in Agawam, we must provide for the family. In consequence thereof a large proportion of the money raised by taxation is expended for educational purposes. Since we have this large family we cannot afford to be extrava-

gant, neither can we suffer ourselves to be improvident. The issues at stake are far too great to permit such conditions to exist. The citizens of Agawam have given loyal support to the educational program in force in Agawam, because they have felt that for the money invested they have received provident returns.

The following three tables will present data from the State Returns. This data will show important facts about the amount of money spent per pupil by Agawam and by her neighboring towns.

TABLE 2

Group II—Towns of 5000 population or over, December 31, 1927
Expenditures for Support of Public Schools from Local Taxation

Towns	Amount Spent	Cost per pupil in net average membership	Rank in Group II
West Springfield	$288,664.65	$90.12	12
Easthampton	117,359.90	74.75	40
Palmer	144,921.03	71.38	50
Ludlow	135,933.12	80.82	27
Ware	82,877.04	64.85	64
South Hadley	88,797.11	65.73	62
Amherst	91,809.54	81.25	25
Orange	79,057.07	81.25	26
Monson	56,926.59	75.60	37
Agawam	107,799.62	70.23	52

In this group of 10 towns, there are only two towns; namely, Ware and South Hadley, which spend less money from local taxation per pupil than Agawam. In most cases, as is evident, a greater sum per pupil is spent.

All of the above towns were selected from Group II Towns, or towns in Massachusetts of 5,000 population and over. In this entire group there are 79 towns. Agawam ranks 52 in the list.

The amount spent per pupil in net average membership in Agawam for the school year 1927 was $70.23. The average amount spent per pupil for the group of 79 towns was $77.35.

TABLE 3

Group II—Towns of 5000 population or over, December 31, 1927
Expenditures for Support of Public Schools from All Sources

Towns	Amount Spent	Cost per pupil in net average membership	Rank in Group II
West Springfield	$314,523.97	$98.18	14
Easthampton	131,417.84	83.71	42
Palmer	165,993.99	81.77	48
Ludlow	150,728.44	89.61	36
Ware	93,600.00	73.24	70
South Hadley	102,637.87	75.97	64
Amherst	118,145.26	104.55	8
Orange	88,933.88	91.40	28
Monson	68,277.18	90.67	29
Agawam	126,400.09	82.35	46

In Table 3 are listed the same towns as in Table 2, and the sum of money spent per pupil from all sources is listed. To some citizens this table may contain new information. The fact that there are refunds by the State, under certain conditions, to cities and towns on account of the schools is not generally known. The State, however, in making its returns takes into consideration this income from other sources and presents returns incorporating the same. In further explanation, Agawam received from this source during the year 1927 $18,600.47. The State in presenting returns as to per pupil cost from local taxation (Table 2) deducted this amount from the sum of money raised by the town for the support of the schools. In Table 3 this sum is included in the returns.

A study of Table 3 at once reveals but little change in the relative position of the towns in State rank. All of the towns listed, with the exception of Ware, South Hadley and Palmer, spend considerably more money per pupil than Agawam. In the group of 79 towns, Agawam ranks 46 and spends $82.35 per pupil. The average expenditure per pupil in the entire group is $87.53 per pupil. In comparison with the above expenditures, it is interesting to note that the average expenditure per pupil from all sources in the State of Massachusetts for the said year was $96.81, and in the United States of America $102.05.

Although the data on expenditures per pupil from all sources (Table 3) includes the Expenditure per high school pupil, it may be interesting to some to see the returns as to expenditure per high school pupil. Table 4 gives these returns.

TABLE 4

Group II—Towns of 5000 population or over, December 31, 1927
Public Day High Schools including Third Year of Junior High Schools

Towns	Average Membership	Expenditure for support exclusive of general control	Expenditure per pupils in net average membership
West Springfield	513	$67,463.27	$131.51
Easthampton	280	34,418.18	112.85
Palmer	285	43,512.65	152.68
Ludlow	116	21,717.72	187.22
Ware	262	28,630.19	109.27
South Hadley	274	31,496.68	114.95
Amherst	310	45,792.21	147.71
Orange	245	34,378.02	140.31
Monson	139	20,149.16	149.16
Agawam	229	29,026.35	126.75

In this group of 10 towns we find very few towns which spend less money per high school pupil than Agawam. On the other hand, we are brought to face with the fact that most towns expend more money on each high school pupil. The conclusion can here be pertinently drawn that Agawam in the support of her high school pupils, as well as in the support of the pupils of elementary school grades, does not exceed the average for the group in which Agawam is classed.

IMPORTANT FACTORS WHICH INFLUENCE THE COST OF EDUCATION

In addition to the size of the pupil population there are many other considerations which influence the cost per pupil of education in a town. These cost contributory factors may be grouped under two headings; namely, Quality of Education in Force in the Towns, and the Set Up of the Budget.

By quality of education reference is made to the program of studies which the particular town offers. There are certain studies which have persisted over a long period of time and finally have become firmly fixed in the mind of the public as a true part of the educational program. Some of these studies are as follows:—Domestic Science, Art, Music, Manual Training, Physical Training, Vocational Training, and Opportunity Schools for special groups of children. Agawam has well established departments in all of the above mentioned subjects except the opportunity classes. These are to be inaugurated during the present school year. The reports of the various teachers in charge of the above mentioned departments will relate to you the work of these departments.

The set up of the budget varies in different towns. There have been several changes in the set up of the Agawam budget in the past three years. Formerly the Town budget had the responsibility of looking after all outside repairs on school buildings and the insurance of school buildings and equipment. These two items have been transferred to the School Department's budget, and during the past school year above $3,500 was spent by the School Department on insurance and outside repairs. This sum is sufficient to raise in the school budget the cost per pupil two dollars. This fact is mentioned in my report not to register an objection to such an arrangement of the budget, but to bring out the point that some towns do not include said items in the school budget, and in such towns the cost per pupil in the State Returns is less.

In conclusion of the topic of Costs per Pupil in Education we must assert that there are many contributory factors which must be taken into consideration in interpreting cost statistics. Some pertinent questions are as follows:—Is there a small or a large pupil population to care for? Does the town favor a modern and progressive type of school? Does the school budget contain all the items in its set up which are generally placed in a school budget? The census report gives an affirmative answer to the first question. The citizens of Agawam have not been satisfied to accept half-way measures in education. They have shown an ardent desire to have full time schooling for every boy and girl and have made provision for the same. They have also accepted whole-heartedly the philosophy of education which

permits an equal opportunity to each boy and girl not alone in the informational subjects but also in the cultural.

The Agawam school budget does contain in full measure the items that are commonly placed in school budgets. A study of comparative costs of education reveals clearly that Agawam, without slighting the accepted public school educational program, is maintaining her schools well within the average costs per pupil. Such a policy is dictated to the Town by the fact of the large pupil population for which provident care must be given.

PROMOTION, AGE AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION AND ATTENDANCE

We now turn from the cost survey of our schools to a presentation of statistics relating to Promotion, Distribution, and Attendance of Agawam pupils during the school year 1927-'28.

PROMOTION TABLE

School	No. of Pupils on Roll June, 1928	No. of Pupils not Promoted June, 1928
North Agawam	332	49
Springfield St.	311	32
Agawam Center	243	23
Feeding Hills	168	16
West St.	33	3
Suffield St.	25	4
South School	20	1
Junior High	187	22
Senior High	219	14

Per cent of pupils not promoted, all schools—10.6.

Per cent of pupils in elementary schools not promoted—11.3.

The perfect school would promote every pupil, for such a school would have a curriculum so elastic that it would fit the mentality of every type of mind within its province. This ideal does not prevail as yet but the tendency in curriculum making and in school construction is in that direction.

The per cent of promotions in our schools has not changed

much during the past three years. Every pupil is given promotion if there is a possible chance for such a step, and the resulting per cent of non-promotions does not vary to any great degree from that which is found in every other town. When we have established classes for those children who need special attention, we may be able to lower the number of non-promotions.

AGE-GRADE DISTRIBUTION OF PUPILS

Promotion of pupils has a very close relationship to the Acceleration and Retardation of pupils. In 1927 the Department of Education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts made an Age-Grade study of the children of Massachusetts. This investigation found that the average ages of children in the elementary schools of the State are as follows.

Grade	Average Age—Boys and Girls
Kindergarten	4 years 7 months
1	5 years 11 months
2	7 years 1 month
3	8 years 2 months
4	9 years 3 months
5	10 years 2 months
6	11 years 6 months

In the Junior-Senior High School the average ages are as follows:

Grade	Average Age—Boys and Girls
7	12 years 3 months
8	13 years 2 months
9	14 years 1 month
10	15 years 11 months
11	16 years 9 months
12	17 years 3 months

Acceleration and Retardation as shown by the State Age-Grade Survey.

An accelerated pupil is younger than the average age for his grade. A retarded pupil is older than the average age for his grade. The following table includes the towns which are in the vicinity of Agawam and presents the findings of the State

in regard to acceleration and retardation of pupils in said towns.

Cities	Total Average Membership	Accelerated Boys and Girls	Accelerated Per cent	Retarded Boys and Girls	Retarded Per cent
Chicopee	6,603	2,230	33.8	908	13.8
Westfield	4,030	458	11.4	590	14.6
West Springfield	3,269	816	25	353	10.8
Easthampton	1,694	603	35.6	271	16.
Palmer	2,255	931	41.3	197	8.7
Ludlow	1,676	410	24.5	288	17.2
Ware	1,406	437	31.1	170	12.1
Monson	688	185	26.8	91	13.2
Agawam	1,567	449	28.7	174	11.3

Another way of reading these tabulations is as follows. In Agawam 28.7 per cent of the pupils in the public schools are under-age for their grades; 60.2 are of normal age for their grades; and 11.1 are over-age for their grades. In the entire State the per cents are as follows:—Under-age 27.7, normal age 62, over-age 10.3. The State survey shows that Agawam in so far as the graduation of her pupils is concerned is a good average town in which the per cent of accelerated pupils is one above the State average, and the number of retarded pupils is .8 of one per cent more than the State average.

There are numerous factors which influence the per cents in these tables. Obviously, where a foreign population is preponderous and the mother tongue is neglected in the home, retardations will be more numerous. Again, where there is a shifting population with the consequent changing of schools from time to time, retardation will be more in evidence. And a fertile cause of retardation is poor attendance. The following table presents the statistics for attendance for the first four months of the present school year.

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE PRESENT SCHOOL YEAR

September 4—December 21, 1928

	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Daily Attendance	Per cent Attendance	Tardiness
High School					
Senior High III	22	21.82	20.25	92.80	19
Senior High II	45	43.82	41.74	95.25	15
Senior High I	81	78.91	75.86	96.13	19
Junior High III	106	98.67	94.14	95.41	34
Junior High VIII-3	43	41.55	39.10	94.10	16
Junior High VIII-2	38	36.82	35.38	96.09	3
Junior High VIII-1	41	40.07	38.55	96.21	11
Junior High VII-2	29	28.31	27.07	95.6	5
Junior High VII-I	32	30.37	29.5	97.13	6
Feeding Hills School					
Grade VII	27	25.83	24.71	95.66	2
Grades V-VI	40	39.25	38.29	97.45	3
Grades IV-V	38	37.78	36.50	96.61	7
Grades II-III	46	44.34	42.99	96.96	7
Grade I	24	20.92	20.23	96.70	6
North Agawam School					
Grade VIII	38	36.08	34.39	95.32	2
Grade VII	36	33.62	31.99	95.15	7
Grade VI P. M.	26	23.05	22.	95.44	11
Grade VI A. M	27	26.04	25.27	97.05	6
Grade V	40	37.36	36.4	97.43	5
Grades IV-V	33	32.27	31.23	96.78	6
Grade IV	37	36.12	34.95	96.76	11
Grade III	35	33.70	32.66	96.91	2
Grade II	41	39.47	37.84	95.87	6
Grades I-III	32	31.89	30.31	95.05	3
Grade I	38	35.19	33.16	94.23	17
Springfield Street School					
Grade VII	34	32.38	30.65	94.66	13
Grade VI	43	42.06	39.71	94.42	14
Grade V	44	41.92	39.3	93.76	11

Grade IV	46	43.97	41.84	95.16	10
Grade III	40	36.66	33.32	90.89	4
Grades II-III	34	32.61	29.43	90.24	4
Grade II	42	41.15	36.70	89.18	10
Grade I	41	39.38	34.42	87.40	18
Grade I	13	12.38	10.92	88.21	5
Agawam Center School					
Grade VI	41	38.98	37.5	96.2	22
Grade V	40	39.46	38.07	96.47	26
Grades IV-V	37	34.84	33.40	95.85	12
Grade IV	37	33.41	30.91	92.52	19
Grade III	36	32.28	29.90	92.62	12
Grade II	39	34.87	32.18	92.28	29
Grade I	45	37.93	33.15	87.39	26
West St. School	34	28.66	28.35	98.92	43
Suffield St. School	25	23.06	20.80	90.20	4
South School	23	21.06	20.39	96.81	3

Total Membership for Town	1689
Average Membership for Town	1600.31
Average Daily Attendance for Town	1515.45
Per cent Attendance for Town	94.70
Tardiness for Town	514
Total Membership January 1, 1928	1668
Increase over last year	21

The per cent of attendance for the entire school year 1927-1928 was 94.65. This is the highest per cent that has yet been made in the Agawam schools in recent years and, in my judgment, is commendable in view of the fact that a large number of the pupils live in rural sections and at quite some distance from the schools centers.

Absence from school because of sickness may temporarily check a pupil's progress in the work of the school but such absence does not make for retardation, since in most cases those afflicted with sickness lament the fact that they are missing school and when they return to school they make a renewed effort to catch up with their classes. On the other hand, those pupils who are irregular in attendance, whose names are frequently referred to the attendance officer are on their way to retardation and if the

findings of social investigators are reliable, they are also the ones found most often in the police courts.

The report of the attendance officer follows.
To the Superintendent of Schools:

Nunber of calls at the homes for the schools	608
Number of calls at the schools	532
Number of calls at the homes and places of employment to see about certificates	30
Number of truants	45
Number of investigations for other cities and towns	20

There were no court cases this year.

The Town has only one boy in the Hampden County Training School.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL O. CESAN

HEALTH

During the first three months of the present school year excellent averages in attendance were made in all of the grades. These good records were somewhat offset by the many cases of sickness which came in December. In Agawam, as well as in our neighboring towns and cities, the per cent of attendance of school children fell. Measles, scarlet fever, chicken pox, diphtheria, la grippe and flu make a formidable array when they combine their forces for an attack. The State, County, Town, and school health forces have co-operated in every way to check the sickness.

Scarlet fever proved the most baffling foe with which to cope, due to the subtle nature which the disease has assumed in recent years. When trained doctors must defer their diagnosis because of the scarcity of symptoms, it is not surprising that some parents have paid less and less attention to the dangers of spreading scarlet fever. Very often when one member of the family has been attacked and no physician has been called, the patient having been treated with home restoratives was soon apparently well,

but when other members of the family show similar symptoms, the doctor is summoned and the malady is diagnosed as scarlet fever. In the meantime the original patient has been spreading the infection in those centers in which he moves and the net result is more and more cases of fever. My object in giving so much space to scarlet fever is to ask each parent to help out in full measure in fighting contagious diseases. If, when symptoms appear, such as sore throat, nausea, and rash, no matter how slight these symptoms may be, parents would inform the community or school health departments, greater headway could be made in checking the spread of all contagious diseases.

During the first week of May, Child Health Day was celebrated in all of our schools. An appropriate program was enacted and, in general, the suggestions of the State Department of Health were given emphasis. Health tags were awarded to the children on the basis of Weight, Posture, and Care of Teeth. Our children made an excellent showing in every respect except that of Care of Teeth.

Care of teeth is of great importance for the health and happiness of all persons. In the case of children in the lower grades a dental clinic is necessary if any positive results are to be obtained. It is not in place here to repeat the well known arguments for such a clinic, for no person is ignorant of the facts in regard to the care of teeth.

With the exception of Infantile Paralysis, Diphtheria is the most feared disease which preys upon children of school age. In Agawam we have a few cases each year and at the onset of every case we pause for reflection and wonder how we can prevent the spread of the malady. In other words, we wait until the house is on fire before we attempt to put out the flames. Such a dilatory practice is not necessary in dealing with diphtheria. The Shick Test and the Toxin Anti-Toxin vaccination are a positive prevention of the disease. Nearly all of our neighboring towns have recognized this fact and have taken steps to immunize the school children from the devastations of diphtheria.

From a legal standpoint, dental clinics and the Shick test for diphtheria must be sponsored by the Board of Health in a town. The School Department can, however, make its recommendations and lend support to these measures. And I take this opportunity to assert that a song about a toothbrush may have some

value but it will not fill a decayed tooth, and the burning of a sulphur candle may give confidence but it will not prevent the onset and spread of diphtheria. Let us then give our support to those agencies of health which are effective and preventative.

Reports of the school nurse and the school doctor follow.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DOCTOR AND SCHOOL NURSE

January 1928, to January 1929

Number of Schools Visited	8
Number of Visits to Schools	980
Number of Visits to Homes	860
Number of Treatments	480
Number of Pupils Inspected	4132
Number of Pupils taken to Oculist and Physician	20
Number of Cases of Scarlet Fever	50
Number of Cases of Whooping Cough	16
Number of Cases of Chicken Pox	107
Number of Cases of Mumps	5
Number of Cases of Diphtheria	12
Number of Cases of Measles	57
Number of Cases of German Measles	4
Number of Cases of Pediculosis	14
Number of Tonsils and Adenoids	414
Number of Defective Teeth	526
Number of Glands	170
Number of Rapid Cardiac Cases	8
Number of Orthopedic Cases	6
Number of Cases of Slight Goiter	8

60 pupils were examined at the Chest Clinic given at the North Agawam School on February 28.

New cases 37; 1 suspicious, 36 negative.

Returned Cases; 4 suspicious, 13 negative.

4 suspicious cases were taken to Westfield Sanatorium for X-Ray. All were found negative.

40 Von Pirquets Tests were given. 14 X-Rays were advised.

May Health Day: 43 Pre-school children were vaccinated; 55 were examined.

Pupils were measured in October and March; weighed in October, December, January, and May.

2 children were taken to Shriners' Hospital for advice and examination, and fitted with braces.

My sincere appreciation to the parents, superintendent, principals, and teachers, for their courtesy and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY LOUISE BLACK

REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL SYSTEM

Two years ago the burden of the school report had to do with the reorganization of our school system. In this report it was proposed to change our system from thirteen to twelve grades. Such a plan was at that time put into force and at the present time is well on the way to consummation. By September first our schools will have a definite program of organization, the important feature of which is that there will be six grades in the Elementary Schools and six grades in the Junior-Senior High School. Such an organization has not been possible heretofore because of lack of room in the Junior-Senior High School building. This lack will have been removed by September first when the addition to the Junior-Senior High School will have been completed.

During the present school year housing conditions have demanded that three seventh grades and one eighth grade meet in rooms outside the High School building. By such an arrangement two distinct types of school organization for children of junior high school age have been in force; namely, that type of school in which one teacher gives instruction in all of the subjects of study and the pupils remain in the same room for all classes, which room is a part of an elementary school: and that type of school which features all of the advantages of an up-to-date junior high school including departmental instruction and classes in manual training, physical training and domestic science, plus important club activities.

The addition to the high school offers the equivalent of sixteen modern classrooms with up-to-date equipment, and will make it possible for all boys and girls in the upper six grades to have equal school opportunities in a school building second to none in the State of Massachusetts. In this building are also provided two modern gymnasiums with appropriate bath, toilet and locker facilities; one large manual training shop and an auxiliary room for shop purposes; a complete unit for teaching domestic science; a large auditorium, and a lunch room. The above mentioned units are significant in a modern school plant.

In this plan, or reorganization, provision is also made for at least two groups of children that need special attention. In the Junior-Senior High School building one large room is allotted to that group of boys and girls who are of junior high school age chronologically but whose mental age is below that of their associates. At the present time these children are worrying along in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. In this new room they will find the educational opportunity more in harmony with their beings. In the North Agawam School a special class will be formed for the same type of children as they are found in the lower grades. These children have their special problems which must also be approached from the standpoint of their natural endowments.

A brief summing up of this reorganization is found in the statement that the Agawam school system is designed to accord to every pupil in the Town an equal educational opportunity, bearing in mind that such an equality of opportunity can only be realized when due consideration is given to the natural endowments and potentialities of our children.

TRANSPORTATION

Transportation of school children in Agawam in past years has been somewhat of a piecemeal and part time undertaking. Such a condition was natural because the children in most cases were transported for only three months of the school year, and the compensation for this part time service was not sufficient to make the job more than a secondary consideration for the driver.

The compulsory insurance law has made it imperative that the drivers use a higher standard of equipment. This demand has been met in the Feeding Hills section of the Town by the employ-

ment of Louis DePalma, who contracts to transport all of the school children of Feeding Hills. He has purchased three modern school busses and is giving a high standard of service. In the Agawam section of the Town no single driver has been found who is willing to contract for the entire project of transporting the children, but the number of drivers has been reduced from six to three and these three drivers, with improved equipment, are giving excellent service.

I am reminded at this point of the fact that many of our former drivers had been in the service over a long period of time, during which time they met the previous requirements of the job in a satisfactory manner, and in many instances gave a type of service worthy of commendation. The new requirements of the service made it necessary to reduce the number of drivers and, in consequence thereof, several of our former drivers could not be given employment.

INSTRUCTION

The progress of our pupils up through the grades as shown by the promotion, and age and grade tables is reasonable; that is, if the standards of the present day are worthy of merit as a measuring instrument.

The Class of 1928, Agawam High School numbered forty-five. This is the largest class that has been given diplomas since the founding of the school in September, 1922. It is significant that this class to the last member has found a place in the work-aday world and, according to the reliable reports which have reached the office, each member is a worthy representative of the Agawam High School.

The success of our pupils, either at home or abroad, is due to various factors, but no one would deny the statement that any appraisal of said success could not leave out of consideration the instructional force of the schools. The following statistics will present the status of our teaching force both as to training and experience and, in conclusion of this topic, I wish to state that a table of statistics can in no way convey the spirit or soul which pervades a group of workers. That condition can be discerned, however, by going into the classroom and meeting the teachers and pupils, and I take this opportunity to invite the parents and friends of our schools to visit our schools.

CONCLUSION

Once more I wish to refer you to the reports which follow and urge that they be given your attention. And, in conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the hearty response given by our citizens to the efforts of the School Committee to reorganize our schools on the 6-6 years program. This has resulted in a splendid Junior-Senior High School and made it possible to start the coming school year with two classes for children needing special attention. These accomplishments are far-reaching in their influence, and progressive in character. In view of such co-optration I havt found my work in pleasant surroundings.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN J. PHELPS,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

My dear Mr. Phelps:

In this, my second annual report, I am happy to account for a very satisfactory year in all the departments of the Junior and Senior High School. In the academic and technical courses and in extra curricula activities the quality and extent of achievement have been generally commendable.

I am also pleased to state that this school has again been classified in Group A of the high schools of this Commonwealth by the State Department of Education. Our graduates who are attending advanced institutions of learning are carrying on to the credit of their Alma Mater, while those who entered the business world are also contributing to the prestige of the Agawam High School.

With the acquisition of a new department by the next school year, it seems advisable to briefly outline the nature and scope of this new service of the school—Vocational Agriculture. As defined, "Agricultural education means that form of vocational education which fits for the occupations connected with the tillage of the soil, the care of domestic animals, forestry, and other wage-earning or productive work on the farm." Direct preparation for pleasant and profitable farming is the principal purpose of a four years' course of vocational education in Massachusetts. It is of "less than college grade" and designed to meet the needs of pupils over fourteen years of age. A boy not ready for admission to high school classes in such subjects as algebra, geometry or Latin may still be able to profit from the agricultural course,

in which he is especially interested. At the same time a boy may take sufficient academic work to gain entrance to the Agricultural College at Amherst. Each member of the class carries on a home project of his own choosing and under the guidance of the instructor. These projects enable the boy to learn and at the same time to gain considerable profit. During the year 1927 statistics show that 700 boys were enrolled, who together netted $200,000. In addition there were valuable prizes offered to those who excelled in their respective projects.

Another distinct innovation is the instruction given in automotive engineering which trains a boy to care for and operate automobiles, tractors and farm machinery. This course is given during the winter months when outdoor work is less important. The taxpayers will be interested to know that two-thirds of the salary of the agricultural instructor and director is reimbursed by the Commonwealth. From my point of view, knowing the results obtained in other high school agricultural departments, and aware of the natural opportunities offered by this particular locality and of the ability already so much in evidence I feel confident that we can look ahead to having one of the strongest units in the State. "By their fruits ye shall know them".

For the past year the type of classroom procedure and instruction of our teachers has continued up-to-date and effective. I am glad to say the question and answer method is being largely supplemented by more efficient and logical methods. Without question, the daily recitation is primarily a test period and the assimilation period is obviously one of supervised study. I am of the opinion that any method of instruction is good which arouses the curiosity of the student, and which develops the capacity for voluntary application along given lines. In words of Marcus Aurelius "Nothing has such power to broaden the mind as the ability to investigate systematically and truly all that comes under thy observations." For the first time a weekly conference period is being given to members of a class. This is an improvement over the ordinary directed study plan in that the student receives more personal and timely help. This proved to be of considerable value.

The Student Council of last year should receive favorable comment for their excellent work in publishing "The Guide". This little handbook reveals the organization and activities of the

High School in a very concise and attractive manner. Although this is probably the smallest school in the State to have this type of booklet, it compares very favorably. It seems to me that such a project is nearly ideal for student council consideration in that the result will tend to continually make for greater unity and loyalty in the school and that, of course, is the true purpose of the Council.

Our representatives in inter-school athletics have maintained the precedence established by former teams. In the majority of games the Agawam teams have been victorious but, better than victory alone, our teams have shown ample evidence of scholarship, high morale, and genuine sportsmanship. The general work in physical education has suffered slightly because of crowded conditions, but with another gymnasium available very soon each student will have physical training two periods a week. With the additional shower baths, lockers and apparatus, we shall have a desirable unit. Although in the past we have been fortunate in securing outside fields for baseball, football, and girls' hockey, the need for a larger athletic field near the school building is painfully apparent.

Space will only allow for a word of praise for those who have taken part in the several dramatic successes of the school. "Adam and Eve", "The Gypsy Rover", "Why the Chimes Rang" and others have been demonstrations of real skill and artistic ability. Not only do these performances furnish means for raising money for various needs, but the training involved is decidedly beneficial to the students.

In keeping with the progressive spirit of the school, we have had a large radio installed in the auditorium. This makes it possible to enrich the course in music by using the excellent recital lectures given by Dr. Damrosch. The radio is also being used during the noon recess by the students, under the supervision of the Student Council and Leaders Club. Without doubt, as time goes on, the radio will become more and more vital as one of the teaching tools.

The possibilities for visual education with the moving picture are practically limitless. Recent experiments conducted in twelve large cities justify the belief that the motion picture is an increasingly valuable adjunct in teaching. This year we have made use of our projector more than ever before, but even now we are

neglecting many things that might be done. If an annual fund could be provided for film rental, I am sure a highly satisfactory program could be arranged which would supplement the work in nearly all the departments of the school. Such a procedure would be in the same category as the provision of supplementary books in the different departments and, in certain ways, much more effective.

For the whole-hearted support and co-operation of the entire personnel, I am deeply grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

F. EARL WILLIAMS,
Principal.

ART

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools, Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

The art work in the Agawam schools this year has followed closely the new course of study which is being worked out in all grades, including the High School. This takes the form of new outlines for each grade teacher each month, giving the aim, the two lessons required each week, and a subject for picture study. A folio containing models, patterns, and other suggestive material, is placed in each building for the teachers' reference.

It is the aim of the department to have this course of art study printed in booklet form, with illustrations if possible, complete ones for the superintendent's office, and principals, and separate grade ones for each grade teacher. The subject matter and methods in this complete course are taken from the best obtainable in courses in leading cities throughout the country, together with successful lessons worked out and adapted to Agawam. Changes and revisions are to be made of course, from time to time by the supervisor and teachers, to keep up with new ideas and progressive methods.

I recommend the same treatment of the Junior and Senior High art courses, for the office of the principal, and for pupils' use in selecting their subjects.

Time was when art was considered a frill and a non-essential in the public schools, but today, as never before, when each subject is being carefully weighed by educators for its full value, art is finding its rightful place on the school program.

The correlation of art with almost all other subjects commends it to teachers, who find it a help, rather than a burden. In the primary grades paper cutting, pasting, and drawing are three

of the great aids in silent reading. In history, geography, nature study, and holiday work, drawing has become almost indispensible. Projects in construction, design, and handicrafts acquaint children with the many types of work in the industrial and business world today.

Through poster making, which is an important part of the school program, the attention of children is focussed on many civic and personal problems. Health, safety, fire-prevention, wild-flower and forest conservation, kindness to animals, are some of the subjects treated this way. The power of the poster is well known.

In the High School the correlation of art with other subjects and activities has been even more marked. Several illustrative and decorative cuts have been added to the "Agawam Mirror", and a contest for new cover designs held. Posters and scenery arrangements were made for various school presentations. Working with the Domestic Arts Department, needlework designs, invitations, menu cards for the lunchroom, and redecoration of the teachers' room were some of the projects completed.

We are looking forward with anticipation and plans to the first year of work in the new art room. An attractive studio for all the classes will fill the one great need in building up strong art courses in the Junior and Senior High School.

The annual exhibition of the grade and high school art and handwork was held in June.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY M. CROWLEY,

Supervisor of Art

MUSIC

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.
Dear Sir:

The aim of the Music Department of the Agawam Public Schools is two fold—the development of a lasting love for the best in music and an intelligent appreciation of it. To achieve these results the course is organized under four separate lines of study; that is, Music Appreciation, Voice Culture, Sight Reading and Interpretation, although so interdependent are these that a lesson in any one almost inevitably includes something of the others.

You are, doubtless, familiar with most of the class work but I wish to call attention to the correlation between music and other subjects in the curriculum. As the children study different lands they have songs from that land or descriptive of it. Then too, current events in music are noted so that points of contact may be established for the student between the outside world and his work in music.

The work in appreciation is new and worthy of note because it is developed along the lines of the child's experience. An excellent course has been started in the lower grades and as it grows from year to year it will undoubtedly become a valuable part of our music education. The Junior High School has been most fortunate in being able to listen to the Walter Damrosch Music Appreciation Course, Series B. This course in orchestral instruments follows on very appropriately with what the Supervisor has been doing and I think the children are truly appreciative of their opportunity of hearing such a marvelous instructor aided by a symphony orchestra. The money earned by the

High School in their Musical Comedy bought the radio and thus placed Agawam among the first schools to present this newest method of musical education.

The Supervisor herself takes all the classes in the Junior-Senior High School. Would that there were time for more! All work in the primary grades is supervised every week and in the intermediate grades, every two weeks. She realizes that much of the credit for the success of the work is due to the excellent co-operation that teachers, principals, parents and you, Mr. Phelps, have given. She sincerely appreciates it.

Public performance has always been an incentive for the children to do finished work and as such is very worth while. It also gives the parents an opportunity to hear what the children have done. So this year the music department has prepared the following presentations:

Musical Playlet, "The Wishing Gate,"
Agawam Center School, February 28, 1928.

Operetta, "The Forest Court,"
North Agawam School, April 12, 1928.

Cantata, "Spring Cometh,"
Junior High Glee Club. National Music Week, May, 1928.

Recital for Commencement,
High School Glee Club and Orchestra, June 14, 1928.

High School Musical Comedy, "The Gypsy Rover,"
High School, November 23, 1928.

Christmas Operetta, "One Christmas Eve,"
Feeding Hills School, December 21.

Special Assemblies including one for the observance of the Schubert Centennial in November.

Thus we are trying to give the children a workable knowledge of Music not forgetting its cultural and ethical value so

that they may take their place with the others as Walt Whitman saw America:

"I hear America singing, the varied carols I hear
Those of mechanics, each one singing his as it should be blithe and strong,
The carpenter singing his as he measures his plank, or beam,
The mason singing his as he makes ready for work, or leaves off work,
The boatman singing what belongs to him in his boat, the deck-hand singing on the steam boat deck,
The shoe maker singing as he sits on his bench, the hatter singing as he stands,
The wood-cutter's song the ploughboy's on his way in the morning, or at noon intermission or at sundown,
The delicious singing of the mother, or of the young wife at work, or of the girl sewing or washing,
Each singing what belongs to him or her and to none else,
The day what belongs to the day—at night the party of young fellows, robust, friendly
Singing with open mouths their strong melodious songs."

Sincerely yours,

RUTH A. PERRY,

Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF THE DOMESTIC SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

During the past year classes in Elementary Cookery have been in progress doing much the same work as those of the previous year. We have, however, to thank the commercial girls who have so nicely mimeographed individual recipes for use in the Domestic Science classes. These not only save time for the girls but also help to make their notebooks neater and more uniform.

During each lesson attention is given not only to the actual procedure necessary for making the recipe and obtaining its results, but also to the neatness and accuracy with which the work is carried on. The practical use of classroom instruction is encouraged by giving extra credit to any girl who applies the knowledge gained thereby in her home and has a written statement, signed by her mother, to that effect. A group of girls who have previously done the work outlined in Elementary Cookery formed a second year class. It is in this class that the girls study more thoroughly the theory work connected with the subjects of Foods and Table Setting and Serving. Laboratory work deals with Fancy and Invalid Cookery.

By June most of the girls have become acquainted with the work enough to make them enthusiastic over the exhibition held each year. At this exhibit parents and friends view products made by the girls.

SEWING

This past fall, for the first time, a large group of girls from an eighth grade at North Agawam have come to the High School building on Tuesday of each week to receive instruction in Domestic Science classes. They have worked faithfully and well, appearing to appreciate the permission to do this.

It is in the seventh grade that the girls first receive instruction in sewing as a school subject. During this year careful study is given to all fundamental stitches with application of each in the construction of simple projects. Machine work is also started during the last half of the year. The more advanced classes study patterns and the use of the same in making underwear and other garments which will be of use to the girls. The less interesting work of making hemmed and overhand patches, as well as darning stockings, is not forgotten. All finished products are carefully packed and kept at school until after the exhibition which is held in June.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL C. ALDRICH.

HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM REPORT

CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Year	Receipts	Food	Salaries	Supplies	Cash on Hand	Stock on Hand
1927-28	$5,267.75	$3,907.06	$1,127.32	$146.90	$140.35	$38.85

MANUAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Mr. Phelps:

I present herewith a summary of the activities in the Manual Training Department during the past year.

Junior High School classes constructed projects designed primarily to introduce the fundamentals of hand tool work and create an opportunity for the study of wood finishing. These groups also studied the incidentals to cabinet construction including the various woods, joints, nails, screws, sandpaper; their respective grades, sizes and all other facts pertaining to their use.

Freshmen boys designed, constructed, and decorated magazine racks. They were instructed as to the proper method of procedure incident to operating the school machinery, after which they were allowed to use the machines in connection with hand tool work.

Advanced classes showed a very noticeable increase in enrollment, and there is no doubt that the contemplated enlarged room and equipment will tend to cause a more decided increase next year. These classes were allowed to draw and build articles of their own choosing.

During the past year the department, in addition to repairing many chairs, constructed a table and clothes rack for the science department, music racks for the assembly hall, stage scenery, key racks and various other articles. Many aeroplanes both of the flying and "sealed" variety were made, mute evidence that the world-wide interest in aviation was felt in the school. In addition, numerous decorative model ships were shaped out and rigged.

In continuance of the same policy regarding Mechanical Drawing, each class received instruction on the basic principles and it was offered as a distinct subject to the third and fourth year high school students.

The motive behind the presentation of these courses has been not to teach every boy to be a carpenter or cabinet maker, although a foundation is laid for these trades, but simply to teach enough so that a boy may be able to differentiate between the good and poor construction, design, or finish in his own work or in a completed commercially built article. In addition, however, it is the hope that the boys will better understand industrial conditions, or at least that some of them may thereby find a hobby to profitably fill their leisure time.

As a revision of program was made necessary through the elimination of the ninth grades, it was difficult to present all the work hitherto required for Junior High classes. I would accordingly recommend that the number of periods per week be increased for the remaining classes.

The annual exhibit was held in June.

Respectfully,

FREDERICK T. DACEY

PHYSICAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The following is a resume of the Physical Department program for the year of 1928.

The annual "Health Examination," involving all students enrolled in both the junior and senior high school, was held in the department under the supervision of Dr. Chamberlain, the school physician, with Mrs. Black the school nurse, and Mr. Smith in attendance. All pupils found physically fit were then required to take gymnasium two periods per week in accordance with the State program.

The object of the department is two-fold; to specialize in corrective play and exercises, and to develop a wider athletic program encouraging all to take part in sports and thus foster health, scholarship, habits, sportsmanship and school service.

Outlined briefly the program involved marching, rythmic steps, calisthenics, apparatus work—light and heavy, folk and acrobatic dancing, mass games and specialized sports. Special discernment for signs of fatigue was shown, and when found the program adjusted to meet the physiological and physical factors involved in exercising growing children. Due to increased enrollment the department has been handicapped with unusually large classes. With a limited amount of time and apparatus the work in many classes could not be quite so specialized as in previous years, and so a program of a more general order was carried on. Where conditions warranted it, however, classes involved more difficult pieces of apparatus, and personal attention was given to bring out individual and special ability.

An extensive program in the more specialized sports was carried on intramurally and interscholastically. The girls played field hockey and basket ball with success. The great feature of

this work performed under Miss Baker, the girls' coach, was that while the teams were of high calibre, she encouraged an unusually large number of girls to remain on the squad for the season which is in keeping with the policy of the department.

The boys as members of the "Twin State Conference" again upheld the established traditions of the school. They swept thru to another basket ball championship and were runners-up in baseball and football. In the sports series with West Springfield, Agawam is now far in front and culminated the past year with a happy 30-6 football victory. Agawam's athletes are worthy representatives, clean and courageous, charged with school spirit—they are worthy of their support.

With the realization of an additional gymnasium and the anticipation of a full time physical director for the girls, the department is looking forward to the possibilities of a banner year in 1929.

At this time let me extend my appreciation to all other departments for service rendered and happy relationships.

Respectfully submitted,

HARMON A. SMITH

Supervisor of Physical Education.

TEACHERS' APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS—1928

APPOINTMENTS

Name	Subject or Grade	School	Began Service
Anna M. Connors	VI	North Agawam	Sept., 1928
M. Carmeleta McCarthy	IV-V	North Agawam	Sept., 1928
Eleanor Sutcliffe	IV	Agawam Center	Sept., 1928
Letitia E. Redden	II-III	Springfield St.	Sept., 1928
Mary E. Spelman	IV-V	Feeding Hills	Sept., 1928
Geraldine Gosse	I-II	Feeding Hills	Sept., 1928
Cecily C. Pratt	I-II-III	Suffield St.	Sept., 1928
Lora M. Bettinger	I-II-III-IV	West St.	Sept., 1928
Dorothy H. Lilly	English	High School	Sept., 1928
Eleanor B. Miller	Latin and Math.	High School	Sept., 1928

RESIGNATIONS

			Service Ended
Ruth C. Grady	V	North Agawam	June, 1928
Cora E. Halladay	VI	Agawam Center	June, 1928
Mrs. Bessie S. Field	II-III	Feeding Hills	June, 1928
Mildred M. Trask	I	Feeding Hills	June, 1928
Christina M. Rose	IV-V	Feeding Hills	June, 1928
Ruth Bugbee	English	High School	June, 1928
Hazel M. Sullivan	Science and Math.	Jr. High School	June, 1928

TRANSFERS

	From	To	Date
Mildred C. Pease	Suffield St.	North Agawam, Gr. II	Sept., 1928
Ruth M. Ripley	West St.	Feeding Hills, Gds. II-III	Sept., 1928

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT

DECEMBER 31, 1928

	Subject or Grade	Education	Began Service in Agawam	Salary per Month
Benjamin J. Phelps	Superintendent	Yale College, B. A. Teachers' College, M. A.	July, 1922	$375.00
SUPERVISORS				
Mary M. Crowley	Art	Mass. Normal Art School	Sept., 1926	190.00
Ruth A. Perry	Music	Keene Normal School Montpelier Seminary	Sept., 1926	210.00
HIGH SCHOOL				
F. Earl Williams	Principal	Mass. Agricultural College B. S.	Sept., 1927	290.00
Mrs. Hazel C. Aldrich	Domestic Science	Skidmore College of Arts	Sept., 1922	190.00
Frederick T. Dacey	Manual Training	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1922	260.00
Harmon A. Smith	Physical Training & Coach of Boys' Athletics	Y. M. C. A. College	Sept., 1924	280.00
Elizabeth E. Baker	Commercial and Coach of Girls Athletics	University of New Hampshire B. A.	Sept., 1926	180.00
Nellie I. Button	English	Middlebury College M. A.	Sept., 1922	200.00
Allan M. Hadley	Science	Clark University B. A.	Sept., 1927	210.00

Erika C. Jauch	French and Latin	Smith College B. A.	Sept., 1923	190.00
Dorothy H. Lilly	English	Smith College B. A.	Sept., 1928	160.00
Clara L. McIntire	Commercial	Bay Path Institute Northeastern Univ. B. A.	Sept., 1922	200.00
Eleanor B. Miller	Latin and Math.	Smith College B. A.	Sept., 1928	140.00
Katharine M. Phealan	History and English	Smith College B. A.	Sept., 1927	170.00
Eleanor H. Smith	Mathematics	Smith College B. A. Teachers' College M. A.	Sept., 1922	200.00
Marjorie Ward	History	Smith College B. A. Teachers' College M. A.	Sept., 1922	200.00
Cora M. Barnes	Jr. High History	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1922	160.00
Mae P. Lynch	Jr. High Mathematics	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1919	160.00
Mrs. Viola W. Phillips	Jr. High English	New Britain Normal Springfield Commercial	April, 1920	160.00
Catherine T. Powers	Jr. High Geography	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1917	170.00
John M. Quirk	Jr. High Science	Middlebury College B. A.	Jan., 1923	240.00

AGAWAM CENTER SCHOOL

Mary E. McDowell	Principal	Eastern State Normal	Sept., 1926	180.00
Gladys E. Goodwin	Grade VI	Farmington Normal	Sept., 1926	120.00
Musa B. Richardson	Grade V	Farmington Normal	Sept., 1926	130.00
Nora M. Chandler	Grades IV-V	Farmington Normal	Sept., 1927	130.00
Eleanor Sutcliffe	IV	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1928	110.00
Dorothy L. Hooker	Grade III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926	120.00
Ida J. Hubbell	Grade II	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1924	125.00
Jessica Dickinson	Grade I	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926	125.00

NORTH AGAWAM SCHOOL

Katherine G. Danahy	Principal	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1899	195.00
Annette E. Deely	Grade VIII	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1921	140.00
Eleanor C. Daly	Grade VII	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1923	140.00
Grace M. Connell	Grade VI	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926	120.00
Anna M. Connors	Grade VI	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928	100.00
Kathryn M. Roache	Grade V	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1922	135.00
M. Carmeleta McCarthy	Grades V-IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928	105.00
Alice McKeown	Grade IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1923	135.00
Olive A. Fox	Grade III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1914	140.00
Julia A. O'Connell	Grades III-I	Spfld. Kindergarten	April, 1927	115.00
Mildred C. Pease	II	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1927	110.00
Jennie M. Lucas	Grade I	Southington Training	Sept., 1900	150.00

SPRINGFIELD ST. SCHOOL

Faolin M. Peirce	Principal	Springfield Normal	Sept., 1909	190.00
Mrs. Mildred T. Clark	Grade I	Higgins Classical Inst.	April, 1922	135.00
Phyllis B. Irwin	Grade II	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926	120.00
Letitia E. Redden	Grades II-III	Springfield Kindergarten	Sept., 1928	100.00
Elizabeth C. McCormick	Grade III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1927	110.00
Cora Y. Desmarais	Grade IV	New Haven State Normal	Sept., 1927	120.00
Dorothy M. Emerson	Grade V	Univ. of Vermont Training Class	Sept., 1925	125.00
Viva M. Potter	Grade VI	Barton Teachers Training Course	Sept., 1925	130.00
Emily M. McCormick	Grade VII	Westfield Normal Bay Path Institute	Sept., 1924	145.00

FEEDING HILLS SCHOOL				
Helyne D. Mousley	Principal	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1923	180.00
Ruth E. Manchester	Grades V-VI	Gorham Normal	Sept., 1924	130.00
Mary E. Spelman	Grades IV-V	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928	105.00
Ruth M. Ripley	Grades II-III	Castine Normal	Sept., 1925	130.00
Geraldine Gosse	Grades I-II	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928	100.00
SUFFIELD ST. SCHOOL				
Cecily C. Pratt	Grades I-II-III	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1928	100.00
SOUTH SCHOOL				
Merriam S. Weeks	Grades I-II-III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926	115.00
WEST ST. SCHOOL				
Lora M. Bettinger	Grades I-II-III-IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928	100.00

Articles in Warrant

FOR MARCH 9, 1929

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Town Officers
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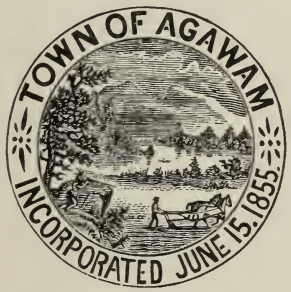
Town of Agawam

Massachusetts



For the Year Ending December 31

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Town Officers 1929-1930

Selectmen, Public Welfare and Board of Health

JAMES F. KIRBY RILEY S. FARNSWORTH
EDWIN L. TALMADGE

Town Clerk and Treasurer

HENRY E. BODURTHA

Collector

HOWARD W. POND

School Committee

CLIFFORD M. GRANGER	Term expires 1932
GRACE B. REED	Term expires 1932
J. LEO ROY	Term expires 1930
SIDNEY F. ATWOOD	Term expires 1930
ARTHUR RUDMAN	Term expires 1931
THOMAS H. STAPLETON	Term expires 1931

Assessors

ADOLPHUS PROVOST	Term expires 1932
CLARENCE H. GRANGER	Term expires 1930
PAUL B. JOHNSON	Term expires 1931

Auditor

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD

Library Trustees

ALICE B. GRANGER	Term expires 1932
IDA BERNATCHEZ	Term expires 1930
ANNA H. RUDMAN	Term expires 1931

Trustees of Whiting Street Fund

JUDSON G. BLACKMAN ..... Term expires 1931
FREMONT H. KING ..... Term expires 1930

Cemetery Commissioners

ELBERT L. CAMPBELL ..... Term expires 1932
WILLIAM D. RISING ..... Term expires 1930
DWIGHT E. BAILEY ..... Term expires 1931

Water Commissioners

WALTER S. KERR ..... Term expires 1932
JOHN L. BURKE ..... Term expires 1930
DENNIS M. CROWLEY ..... Term expires 1931

Tree Warden

FRANK W. RANDALL

Constables

WILLIAM T. BAGLEY
MOSES V. BESSETTE
WARREN C. BODURTHA
DANIEL O. CESAN
JASPER DEFORGE
EARL E. DICKINSON
WILLIAM A. DUCLOS
ALVIN R. KELLOGG
LEO F. RISLEY
CHARLES H. WYMAN

Surveyors of Lumber

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN
CHARLES W. HULL
FREMONT H. KING
NELSON G. KING

Measurers of Wood

WILLARD C. CROUSS
CHARLES W. HULL
ALVIN R. KELLOGG
NELSON G. KING

Public Weighers

PHILIP B. BARRY
PRENTISS JENKS
BERTLEY R. JENKS
HARVEY E. PORTER
FRANK WHITTAKER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

EDWIN U. LEONARD

Chief of Police
PERLEY J. HEWEY

Registrars of Voters
PHILLIP B. BARRY — CHARLES W. HULL
PHILIP W. HASTINGS — HENRY E. BODURTHA

Inspectors of Animals and Meats
JAMES H. CLARK — DWIGHT E. BAILEY

Fire Engineers
FRANK T. GOSS — EDWARD J. GOSSELIN
JAMES W. SHEA

Foreman in charge of Highway Work
CHARLES H. WYMAN

Fence Viewers
DWIGHT E. BAILEY — THOMAS A. KERR

Field Drivers
WILLIAM S. HALLADAY — FRANKIE H. CAMPBELL

Burial Agent
EDWIN B. SPRING

Town Counsel
WENDELL G. BROWNSON

Town Clerk's Report

TOWN ELECTION, MARCH 4, 1929

	Precinct A	B	C	Total
Number of ballots cast	512	389	394	1295

RESULTS OF COUNT OF BALLOTS

For Selectmen, Board of Welfare and Board of Health:				
John L. Burke	176	123	203	502
Riley S. Farnsworth	127	253	227	607
Fred A. Goulet	134	16	45	195
Charles W. Hull	95	111	233	439
James F. Kirby	261	117	150	528
Ernest A. Lepore	179	124	46	349
Edwin L. Talmadge	188	177	158	523
Blanks	376	246	120	742
For Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector:				
Henry E. Bodurtha	275	220	312	807
Blanks	237	169	82	488
Tax Collector:				
Howard W. Pond	132	226	299	657
Joseph P. Vincelette	270	82	78	430
Blanks	110	81	17	208

Assessor for three years:				
Diendonne D. Bessette	146	154	173	473
Adolphus Provost	281	145	168	594
Blanks	85	90	53	288
School Committee for three years:				
Minnie A. Barden	164	74	190	428
Clifford M. Granger	246	253	232	731
Grace B. Reed	123	185	230	538
Blanks	491	266	136	893
Water Commissioner for three years:				
Walter Kerr	264	286	326	876
Blanks	248	103	68	419
Auditor:				
Leafie N. Maynard	266	241	315	822
Blanks	246	148	79	473
Tree Warden:				
Edward J. Gosselin	312	91	84	487
Frank W. Randall	96	212	267	575
Blanks	104	86	43	233
Library Trustee for three years:				
Alice B. Granger	262	279	316	857
Irene K. Cesan			1	1
Blanks	250	110	77	437
Trustee of Whiting Street Fund:				
Judson G. Blackman	118	241	248	607
Edward J. Desmarais	229	44	65	338
Blanks	165	104	81	350
Cemetery Commissioner for three years:				
Charles A. Barden	143	68	128	339
Elbert L. Campbell	137	194	225	556
Blanks	232	127	41	400

For Constables:				
Virgili Ardizoni	223	52	59	334
Moise Bessette	102	147	270	519
Warren C. Bodurtha	133	180	304	617
William F. Buckley	209	63	85	357
Daniel O. Cesan	109	198	261	568
Thomas Daley	183	59	126	368
Jasper J. De Forge	247	85	153	485
William DeForge	216	63	121	400
George Denault	169	35	51	255
Earl E. Dickinson	97	176	263	536
William A. Duclos	231	167	195	593
John Feriole	124	35	56	215
Henry Fortier	130	43	65	238
Alvin R. Kellogg	119	237	253	609
Horace A. Marotte, Jr.	161	120	160	441
Leo F. Risley	90	136	233	459
Charles H. Wyman	122	216	217	555
A. A. Meissner		32		32
Blanks	2149	1696	849	4694
An Act permitting certain Sports on Lord's Day:				
Yes	257	122	138	517
No	54	100	146	300
Blanks	201	167	110	478

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 9, 1929

Annual Town Meeting assembled in the Assembly Hall of the High School at one o'clock P. M. according to call of Warrant. Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, and under

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger was elected Moderator by a vote of 40 to 3 scattering.

Article 2. To choose two or more Fence Viewers, and two or more Field Drivers.

Dwight E. Bailey and Thomas A. Kerr were chosen fence viewers. William S. Halladay and Frankie H. Campbell were chosen Field Drivers.

Article 3. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

Voted: To accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed, typographical errors and omissions excepted.

Article 4. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Voted: To leave the care of the Poor in the hands of the Board of Public Welfare.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day, and provide for its expenditure.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the observance of Memorial Day.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the payment of a proper charge of an insurance company, for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars for the payment of a proper charge of an insurance company, for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for liability insurance of its employees.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred and fifty dollars for Liability Insurance of Town employees.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $400 to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, to be expended for Agricultural and Home Economics Extension Service in this County and Town, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of $400. to the Trustees of County Aid to Agriculture to be expended for the Agriculture and Home Economics Extension Service in this County and Town in accordance with the provisions of Section 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 9. To see if the Town will authorize the numbering of houses upon any of the streets of the Town, and make an appropriation for the same.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars for the numbering of houses by order of the Selectmen.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $250. for the Board of Health to use in taking measures for the prevention of diphtheria in children of the Town.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the use of the Board of Health for prevention of diphtheria in children of the Town.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $1,500, for the payment of land damage incurred in the relocation and widening of Leonard Street.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 12. To see if the Town will take any action regarding the installation of additional electric lights on any of the streets of the Town.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 13. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money to be used for the establishment and construction of sidewalks and curbing on any of the streets of the Town.

Voted: That the sum of $2000.00 be appropriated for the purpose of constructing sidewalks and such curbing as is necessary on Springfield and Walnut Streets in North Agawam, the said sum to be raised by taxation during the current municipal year. It being intended that a reasonable amount, not exceeding one half of the total cost be assessed upon the abutting estates.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $10,000. or any other sum, to be raised by taxation for the continuation of pavement on School Street, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: That the sum of ten thousand dollars be appropriated for the construction of so called permanent highway on School Street, the same to be raised by taxation during the current municipal year.

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $12,000. provided the State, the County and the Agawam Airport, Inc. will each appropriate a like sum for the rebuilding of Silver Street from the present macadam on Elm Street to the Agawam Airport, Inc. with stone, block, brick or other pavement of similar lasting character and provide for raising the money by taxation or other wise, or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of twelve thousand dollars for rebuilding of Silver Street from the present macadam on Elm Street to the Agawam Airport, Inc. with stone, block, brick or other pavement of similar lasting character, providing the State, County and Agawam Airport, Inc. each contribute a like amount.

Article 16. To see if the Town will accept any street in Town as a Public Highway.

Voted: To leave the subject matter in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 17. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money and provide for raising the same for a survey of drainage conditions (surface and sanitary) on any of the Streets of the Town.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 18. To see what action the Town will take in regard to accepting the provisions of Chapter 41, of the General Laws of Massachusetts and all acts in amendment and addition thereto, in regard to planning board.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 19. To hear and act upon the report of the Board of Survey or take any action relating thereto.

Committee on Board of Survey reported as follows: "We, the undersigned committee of three appointed to consider the matter

of a Board of Survey and report at a future town meeting do hereby respectfully submit this report.

After due consideration our finding is in favor of the Town of Agawam Massachusetts adopting a Board of Survey in accordance with the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 41 Section 73-81 inclusive.

Arthur W. Taylor,
Edward J. Gosselin,
E. Harold Hamblen.

Voted: That the town of Agawam, Massachusetts adopt a Board of Survey by acceptance of Chapter 41, Sections 73-81 inclusive of the General Laws.

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the care of North Cemetery.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars for the care of North Cemetery.

Article 21. To see if the Town will authorize its treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year beginning January 1, 1929, in anticipation of the revenue of said year such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town.

Voted: That the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1929 to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of the tax levy of 1928, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable in one year: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Article 22. To make the necessary appropriations for the year.

Voted: The following appropriations:

General Government:		
Legislation	$75.00	
Selectmen	2175.00	
Auditor & Accountant	520.00	
Treasurer	2100.00	
Collector	1650.00	
Assessors	3300.00	
Law	800.00	
Town Clerk	600.00	
Town Hall	1000.00	
		$12,220.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department	$5000.00	
Fire Department	7700.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	600.00	
Forestry Tree Warden	800.00	
Moth, Extermination	600.00	
		$14,700.00
Health and Sanitation:		
General Administration	$300.00	
Hospitals	2000.00	
Other	200.00	
Inspector of Animals	300.00	
Inspector of Meats and Provisions	900.00	
Sewers	1500.00	
Garbage disposal	400.00	
		$5,600.00
Highways:		
Maintenance	$15000.00	
Lighting	9700.00	
		$24,700.00
Charities:		
Salary and wages	$700.00	
Relief	6300.00	
		$7,000.00
School	$146000.00	
Libraries	400.00	

State Aid	100.00
Unclassified	600.00
Interest	
Bonded Debt.	18500.00
Temporary Loan	5500.00
Debt	47000.00
Reserve Fund	1000.00

Appropriated under previous articles:

Memorial Day Observance	$150.00
Surety Bonds	500.00
Liability Insurance	550.00
County Aid to Agriculture	400.00
Numbering of houses	100.00
Health	150.00
North Cemetery	25.00
Silver Street	12000.00
School Street	10000.00
Sidewalk and Curbing	2000.00

Voted: That any amount available up to fifteen thousand dollars to be taken from the Excess and Deficiency Fund and apply to above appropriations.

Article 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: That the town hereby does authorize its School Committee to spend from the funds annually appropriated for School purposes such amounts for the vocational education program as they may consider necessary.

Voted: That the Water Commissioners be hereby authorized to appoint one of their members as Superintendent for the ensuing year at a salary from water revenue not to exceed $1800.00.

George W. Porter gave notice to amend by-laws at some fu-

ture meeting so that a moderator shall be elected at the annual election to hold office for one year.

Voted to adjourn.

HENRY E. BODURTHA, Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

MAY 22, 1929

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger was elected Moderator.

Article 2. To see what action the Town will take in regard to reimbursing Emma I. Reed of said Agawam for installing certain sidewalks on both sides of Reed Street in said Agawam, extending from Main Street at the intersection of said Reed Street and running along on said Reed Street, and including therein 1920 lineal feet and appropriate any sum necessary for the same.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 3. In regard to reimbursing Emma I. Reed of said Agawam for the installation of an 8 inch sewer main and drain in said Reed Street at the intersection of Virginia Avenue in said Agawam at a distance of 1380 feet and appropriate any sum necessary for the same.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 4. To see what action the Town will take in regard to reimbursing Emma I. Reed of said Agawam for installing sidewalks on Main Street in said Agawam beginning at the property owned by the said Town of Agawam being the Southerly line of the High School and extending to the home of said Emma I.

Reed at 116 Main Street in said Agawam and containing about 340 lineal feet more or less.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 5. To see what action the Town will take in regard to reimbursing the said Emma I. Reed for opening grading and surfacing Reed Street in said Agawam and being in distance about 1380 feet.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 6. To see if the Town will adopt a by-law regulating the speed of motor vehicles within thickly settled districts of the Town.

Voted: To adopt the following by-law: It shall hereafter be unlawful for any motor vehicle to travel over thirty-five miles an hour over any of the highways of the Town.

All persons violating this ordinance shall be subject to a fine not exceeding twenty dollars ($20.00).

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section 3 General of the Zoning By-laws by adding the following:

Paragraph L. Application for permit to build.

Before any person, owner, agent, builder or building mover shall erect, alter, repair or move any building, or structure or commence excavation therefor he shall make application in writing to the Board of Selectmen.

The Board of Selectmen shall grant permits for the erection, alteration, repairing or moving of any building or structure provided the work contemplated in the application for permit to build, is in conformity with the provisions of these By-laws but not otherwise.

Voted: To adopt the following amendment to Section 3 General, of the Zoning By-laws, two thirds of those voting, voting in the affirmative.

Application for permit to build.

Before any person, owner, agent, builder or building mover shall erect, alter, repair or move any building or structure or commence excavation therefor, he shall make application in writing to the Board of Selectmen.

The Board of Selectmen shall grant permits for the erection, alteration, repairing or moving of any building or structure provided the work contemplated in the application for permit to build is in conformity with the provisions of these By-laws but not otherwise.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to include, under the list of Town Officers to be elected annually by ballot, that of Moderator for the period of one year.

Voted: That the office of Moderator of Agawam be placed upon the ballot at the annual town election to be held the first Monday in March next, and to be elected thereafter annually by ballot.

Article 9. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Voted: To adjourn.

HENRY E. BODURTHA, Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

NOVEMBER 25, 1929

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Clarence H. Granger was unanimously elected Moderator.

Article 2. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to investigate the need of accommodations for Town officers and report at the next Annual Town meeting.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 3. To see if the Town will take any action regarding the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the incorporation of the Town.

Voted: That a committee of six, two from each Precinct to be appointed by the Moderator, to make plans for the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the incorporation of the Town with power to appoint sub-committees.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote the sum of $2000.00 from Excess and Deficiency for sidewalks, to cover an error in the tax levy.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of two thousand ($2000.00) dollars for sidewalks from the Excess and Deficiency account. The same being to cover the amount provided for said

work at the last annual town meeting, but not included in the tax levy.

Article 5. To see if the Town will amend its Zoning By-laws adopted on April 6, 1928, by changing such parts of the district bounded South by High Street, West by Bridge Street and Northerly and Easterly by the Agawam River, as is now in Residence B to Business.

Voted: To amend the Zoning By-laws adopted April 6, 1928 by changing such parts of the district bounded on the South by High Street, West by Bridge Street, and North and East by the Agawam River, as is now in Residence B to Business. (Unanimously voted).

Article 6. To see if the Town will amend its Zoning By-laws adopted on April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Residence B that strip of land on School Street, Easterly of the Business Section at the corner of Main Street, for a distance of one hundred and forty feet, and one hundred and fifty feet in depth.

Voted: To amend the Zoning By-laws adopted April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Residence B, that strip of land on School Street Easterly of the Business Section at the corner of Main Street, for a distance of one hundred and forty (140) feet and one hundred and fifty (150) feet in depth. (Unanimously voted).

Article 7. To see if the Town will amend its Zoning By-laws adopted on April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Industrial, the section of property described as follows: Commencing at a point two hundred feet Northerly of a stone bound on the North side of Meadow Street 1196 feet Westerly of the South End Bridge, running Northerly one hundred seventy-six and 11/100 (176.11) feet to an iron pipe thence Westerly eighty and 74/100 (80.74) feet to an iron pipe: thence Northwesterly one hundred twenty-four and 74/100 (124.74) feet to an iron pipe: thence Southerly two hundred fifty-two and 95/100 (252.95) feet, thence Easterly to point of beginning approximately two hundred and six (206) feet.

Voted: To amend the Zoning By-laws adopted April 6, 1928 by changing the following described district from Residence A to Industrial: commencing at a point two hundred (200) feet Northerly of a stone bound on the North side of Meadow Street, eleven hundred ninety six feet (1196) westerly of the South End Bridge running Northerly one hundred seventy six and 11/100 (176.11) feet to an iron pipe: thence Westerly eighty and 74/100 (80.74) feet to an iron pipe: thence Northwesterly one hundred twenty-four and 74/100 (124.74) feet to an iron pipe; thence Southerly two hundred fifty-two and 95/100 feet; thence Easterly to point of beginning approximately two hundred and six (206) feet. (Aff. 63, Neg. 14)

Article 8. To see if the Town will amend its Zoning By-laws adopted on April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Business the section of property described as follows: Commencing at a point four hundred and twelve feet (412) Westerly of an iron pipe at the angle on Garden Street located at the property of one Zerra; thence running two hundred (200) feet westerly along Garden Street; thence running at right angles two hundred (200) feet Northerly; thence at right angles Easterly two hundred (200) feet; thence Southerly about two hundred (200) feet, thence to place of beginning.

Voted: To amend the Zoning By-laws adopted April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Business the district described as follows: Commencing at a point four hundred and twelve (412) feet westerly of an iron pipe at the angle in Garden Street located at the property of one Zerra, thence running two hundred (200) feet Westerly along Garden Street; thence running Northerly at right angles two hundred (200) feet; thence at right angles Easterly two hundred (200) feet; thence Southerly about two hundred (200) feet to place of beginning. (Aff. 46. Neg. 1)

Article 9. To see if the Town will amend its Zoning By-laws adopted on April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Business the section of property described as follows: Commencing at a point eight hundred (800) feet Easterly of the Westerly intersection of Garden and Poplar Streets and running Easterly along the Northerly side of Garden Street two hundred (200) feet; thence Northerly at a right angle two hundred (200) feet;

thence Westerly at a right angle two hundred (200) feet; thence Southerly to the point of beginning.

Voted: To amend the Zoning By-laws adopted April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Business the section of property described as follows: Commencing at a point eight hundred (800 feet Easterly of the Westerly intersection of Garden and Poplar Streets and running Easterly along the Northerly side of Garden Street two hundred (200) feet; thence Northerly at right angles two hundred (200) feet; thence Westerly at right angles two hundred (200) feet; thence Southerly to point of beginning. (Aff. 46. Neg. 2)

Article 10. To see if the Town will amend its Zoning By-laws adopted April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Business the section of property described as follows: Commencing at the Southeast corner of Silver Street and Shoemaker Lane running Northerly along Silver Street one hundred fifty (150) feet; thence at a right angle Easterly one hundred forty-nine and 16/100 (149.16) feet; thence at a right angle Southerly one hundred sixty-two and 79/100 (162.79) feet; thence Westerly along Shoemaker Lane to point of beginning.

Voted: To amend the Zoning By-laws adopted April 6, 1928 by changing from Residence A to Business the section of property described as follows: Commencing at the South East corner of Silver Street and Shoemaker Lane running Northerly along Silver Street one hundred and fifty (150) feet; thence at a right angle Easterly one hundred forty-nine and 16/100 (149.16) feet; thence at a right angle Southerly one hundred sixty-two and 79/100 (162.79) feet; thence Westerly along Shoemaker Lane to point of beginning. (Aff. 51. Neg. 1)

Article 11. To see if the Town will adopt a By-law providing for a penalty for violation of traffic signals.

Voted: To adopt the following rules and regulations:

Wherever Street Traffic Signals exhibiting lights colored

green, yellow and red are established and sustained, unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer.

(A) Traffic facing a green signal may proceed. All turns to be made on the green signal only.

(B) Traffic facing a signal showing yellow shall stop before entering the intersection, unless so close to the intersection that a stop cannot be made in safety, and shall remain standing until the green is shown alone.

(C) Traffic facing a signal showing red shall stop before entering the intersection and remain standing until Green is shown alone.

Anyone violating this ordinance shall be subject to a fine of not less than three dollars ($3.00) or more than twenty-five ($25.00) dollars. (Unanimously)

Voted: To adjourn.

HENRY E. BODURTHA, Town Clerk.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1929

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents
Jan. 3	Theresa Annette Letendre	Adelard and Alice Letendre
Jan. 5	Lillian Rose Barber	Earl W. and Gladys Farnsworth
Jan. 5	David Warren Barber	Earl W. and Gladys Farnsworth
Jan. 5	Anita Rachek	Sidor and Anna Zaiae
Jan. 5	Marion Louise Dickinson	Ralph and Irene Barden
Jan. 7	William Kaskeski	Walter and Anna Resceiski
Jan. 25	Paul Borgatti	Allesmo and Margaret Melloni
Jan. 27	Robert Lewis Campion	Percy and Caroline L. Twine
Jan. 27	Evelyn Theresa Tetrault	Leonard and Anna M. Lively
Jan. 29	Betty Jane Cook	William and Alphedona Robinson
Feb. 8	Richard Paul Miner	Francis H. and Beatrice E. Godin
Feb. 16	Dorothy Mae Colson	Henry W. and Helen Belliveau
Feb. 23	Richard Peter Stephanick	John and Mary Shop
Feb. 27	Mildred Eleanor Cooley	Maro H. and Ethel M. Giles
Feb. 27	Ella Emily Perusse	William E. and Bessie Stone
Feb. 28	Felix Thomas Tranghese	Orlando and Vallia Bretta
Feb. 28	Robert Luke Rickert	Robert D. and Dorothy Munson
Mar. 7	Beatrice Doris Giorgi	Joseph and Corinne Zambianchi
Mar. 8	Allen George Smith	George C. and Gladys F. Easton
Mar. 8	Jeanette Audrey White	Wilbert H. and Mary J. La Burge
Mar. 10	Alfred Junior Racicot	Leo W. and Ida M. Descoteaux
Mar. 12	Frederick George Dacey	Frederick T. and M. Brougham
Mar. 12	Trimboli	Peter and Bernice Gebo
Mar. 13	John Christy Nekitoponlos	Christy and Pauline A. Duvall
Mar. 13	Patricia Ann Bodurtha	Dudley and Anna L. Kane
Mar. 14	Robert Russell Burke	John L. and Ruth H. Ewing
Mar. 14	David Walter Rackliffe	Walter C. and Thelma W. Smith
Mar. 22	Freda Vivian Nolin	Isaac and Beatrice Paro
Mar. 25	June Marjorie Bourdo	Wilmer and Margaret Fitzgerald
Mar. 25	John Stanley Burns	Samuel E. and Evelyn A. Miller
Mar. 26	Harriet Grace Kerr	Thomas and Florence Mache
Mar. 28	Shirley Anna Tetreault	Philip and Rosella Brunelle
Apr. 2	Gloria Adelia Ristaino	Michael and Lucy A. Ferrero
Apr. 11	Donald John Astaferrero	Arthur and Jennie M. Castelli
Apr. 14	Norma Jacqueline Fraser	Norman J. and Lillian Luster
Apr. 16	Jane Gail Timmerman	Ralph J. and Beulah F. Morley
Apr. 21	Marion Ellen Hastings	Philip W. and Vivian P. Hastings
Apr. 21	Donald Arthur Belding	Donald H. and Jennie A. Hine
Apr. 23	Marie Jean Theresa Goyette	Melville E. and H. Crepeau

Apr.	23	Ester Lucci	Joseph and Lizza Fanella
Apr.	25	Clarice Bouchar	Paul J. and Agnes Newell
May	3	Joseph Bernard Grady	Joseph M. and Jennette Roberts
May	9	Elwood Joseph Haley	Raymond and Mary Young
May	12	Ralph Patsy Giordano	Ralph and Luella Bugbee
May	17	Loraine Marie Stewart	H. Alden and Margaret A. Pasini
May	19	Rita Dumond	Raymond J. and Mary C. McDonough
May	20	Douglas Manson Shaylor	Charles M. and Doris D. Johnson
May	23	Patricia Ann Powers	David H. and Phoebe C. Doane
May	26	Gerald Trevallion Moore	Oliver P. and Violet Trevallion
May	26	Clyde Eugene Pomeroy	Ralph H. and Lena Copson
May	27	Margaret Harrison	William E. and Etta T. Strong
May	27	Ramona Davis	Salim and Edna Anton
June	6	Elio Aldo Raimondi	Peter and Ida Carlone
June	8	Donald Herbert Taylor	Herbert G. and Helen G. Guyette
June	13	Leonard Albert Johnson, 3rd.	Leonard A., Jr. and Beatrice Daly
June	16	Giovanni Liquori	Fiore and Florence Bonavito
June	16	Gertrude Edith Maskowski	Alexander and Catherine Padlesky
June	18	Katherine Manos	Louis and Helen Philipakis
June	19	Amelio Charles Chini, Jr.	Amelio and Emeline Degray
June	23	Paul Peter Norman	Peter P. and Marie Daboul
June	23	Gladys Melinda Stone	Chauncey D. and Viola A. Goodrich
June	25	Theodore O'Neil	Henry and Annie Brown
June	27	John Granger Porter	George W. and Kate Adams
June	28	Robert Richard Perusse	Francis C. and Lillian M. Root
June	28	Beverly Ann Leymoyne	Edward N. and Gertrude Quinn
July	10	John Montgomery Schwartz, Jr.	John M. and Doris G. Fletcher
July	11	June Anna Carlson	John A. and Elsie C. Esner
July	12	Arthur Premond Nagelin	Alois and Cora Premont
July	13	John Samuel Cesan	David E. and Irene K. Crouss
July	16	Mary Liquori	Anthony and Margaret Albano
July	23	Virginia Mae Channell	Henry E. and Edith Smith
July	23	Henry Winfield Crossman	Charles E. and Mary Brown
July	26	Barbara Christine Arens	Charles H. and J. Hazel Winberg
July	31	Richard Joseph Deslauriers	Joseph A. and Cecile Rioux
Aug.	7	Catherine Shaylor	Willis P. and Ruth Reed
Aug.	12	Richard Kent Bodurtha	Warren C. and Clintina L. Wright
Aug.	12	John Moccio	John and Pasquale 'Didonato
Aug.	15	Charles Byron Bailey	Charles B. and Pearl M. Mathews
Aug.	18	Robert Joseph Perrault	Joseph A. and Edna V. Moore
Aug.	19	William James Sullivan	John H. and Anna M. Burke
Aug.	19	Bernard Noone Carroll	Bernard and Elizabeth Kennedy
Aug.	24	Theodore Nicholis Samble	James H. and Anna M. Ralph
Aug.	27	Anna Ruth Morris	Joseph F. and Jennie R. Morris
Aug.	28	Andrew Grasso	Angelo A. and Anna Manzi
Aug.	31	Alfred Joseph St. John	Alfred and Rhea Duclos
Sept.	3	Marie Claire Leona Lemay	Joseph and Lea Chounaird
Sept.	8	Ethel Fink	Chester E. and Grace E. L. Heathcote
Sept.	12	Howard Robert Hallbauer	Howard and Viola Mathieson

Sept.	12	Barbara Lois Longey	Walter E. and Louise A. Pepperel
Sept.	30	Roma Eunice Gosselin	Edmund and Mildred S. Bessette
Oct.	3	Martha Ann McLeod	Norman W. and Elizabeth J. Raisbeck
Oct.	3	Pearl Langevin	George F. and Irene Murphy
Oct.	4	Joseph Homer Paro, Jr.	Joseph H. and Eleanor W. Thompson
Oct.	17	Beverly Jeanne Myers	Floyd and Verna Blanche Perry
Oct.	18	Rose Charlotte Gibbs	Leslie H. and Charlotte E. Michael
Oct.	20	Ronald Fowlie Sharp	William F. and Jessie Whitlock Mark
Oct.	27	Robert John Coughlin	Patrick J. and Gladys D. Daley
Oct.	29	Albert Longo	Donato and Michelina Buoniconti
Oct.	30	Robert Carlo Castelli	Silio and Alma Aster Ferrero
Nov.	1	Louie Joseph De Caro	Caesar and Julia Barbero
Nov.	2	Jeannine Eleanor Hawkes	Frederick C. and Gladys E. Maxwell
Nov.	8	Harold John Rourke, Jr.	Harold J. and Joan Shirley
Nov.	10	Alice Eva Fazio	Charles E. and Alice M. Stevens
Nov.	15	———— Pitter	William J. and Elizabeth P. Moran
Nov.	19	Agnes Elizabeth Wilson	James K. and Julia Murphy
Nov.	29	Joseph Tortoriello	Ralph and Rose Wentworth
Dec.	1	Catherine Agnes Hastings	Edwin and Catherine Beckwith
Dec.	4	William Clifford Gibbs	Ronald J. and Pauline F. Mercure
Dec.	6	Arline Alice Curtis	George M. and Mary Gertrude Smith
Dec.	7	Joan Barbara Arnold	Philip B. and Frances Vlasak
Dec.	12	Rose Brighenti	John and Ester D'Amico
Dec.	12	Annie Sadak	Jimmy and Jennie Solomon
Dec.	18	Aileen Marie Rohan	Morris and Mabel H. Lifford
Dec.	20	Paul Thomas Coppi	Paul J. and Inez Breglio
Dec.	25	Walter Wells Campbell	Andrew K. and Edith D. Scoville
Dec.	29	John Richard Harrington	Daniel E. and Rosaline Vincelette
Dec.	29	Eleanor Jean Mandirol	Louis and Marie Rescia
Dec.	30	Frank Tait Chidsey	Irving L. and Blanche Tait
Dec.	30	Beverly Ann Frilen	Rudolph G. and Elsie C. Carlson

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1929

Date and Place of marriage	Names of Groom and Bride	Residence
January 1	Robert Edwin Hamilton	Agawam
Springfield	Edna Margurite Brown	Springfield
January 9	Edwin Vail Hastings	Agawam
Agawam	Catherine Agnes Beckwith	Agawam
January 16	Leo William Racicot	Springfield
Agawam	Ida M. Descoteaux Vocesky	Agawam
January 26	Charles Montagna	Agawam
Agawam	Josephine Fortini	Agawam
February 12	Bernard N. Carroll	Agawam
Springfield	Elizabeth C. Kennedy	Springfield
March 20	Rollin Avery Wood	West Springfield
Agawam	Mary Miller Osborne	West Springfield
March 23	Elmer Hollis Wentworth	Agawam
Hartford, Ct.	Annie Louise Casey	Hartford, Ct.
April 2	Pietro Raimondi	Agawam
Agawam	Ida Carlone	Agawam
April 4	Adolphus Provost, Jr.	Agawam
West Springfield	Lena R. Flebotte	West Springfield
April 8	Patsy Spinetti	West Springfield
Springfield	Carmela Pisano	Agawam
April 9	Wilbur M. Gottache	Agawam
Walpole, N. H.	Lillian M. Linnehan	Agawam
April 16	George Miles Knightly	Agawam
West Springfield	Eunice May McKee	West Springfield
May 6	Ralph Gallerani	Agawam
Springfield	Theresa Cevalani David	Agawam
May 14	John E. McCool	Springfield
Agawam	Lea Viola Jasmin	Agawam
May 30	Louis J. La Montagne	Agawam
Westfield	Dorothy B. Mitchell	Southwick
June 1	Albert Leonard Smith	Agawam
Agawam	Ethel Clara Franklin	West Springfield
June 1	Frederic B. Beach	Springfield
West Springfield	Elvera E. Anderson	Agawam
June 14	Floyd Arthur De Gowin	Agawam
Springfield	Bessie May Edgerton	Springfield
June 15	Leonard F. Manhart	Agawam
Agawam	Violet Canterbury	Springfield

June 15	Briard Poland Johnson	Agawam
Springfield	Helen Sigrid Nelson	Springfield
June 18	Enoch Ferdinand Johnson	Agawam
Springfield	Catherine Agnes Duffy	Springfield
June 24	Emilio Maroni	Agawam
Springfield	Margaret Evangliesta	Springfield
June 24	John Edward Church	Agawam
Agawam	Theresa Rita Masi	Agawam
June 30	Harrison L. Raymond	Hawley
Agawam	Grace M. Miller	Agawam
July 3	Edward Raymond Provost	Agawam
West Springfield	Eileen Burke	West Springfield
July 13	Albert E. Bailey	Hartford, Ct.
Agawam	Hattie Sanderson McGuenness	Agawam
July 27	Jeremiah F. Morrisey, Jr.	West Springfield
West Springfield	Lillian P. Newton	Agawam
August 3	Raymond Waite	Agawam
Agawam	Emeline Bassette	Agawam
August 5	Louis Fasoli	Agawam
Springfield	Mary Natale	Agawam
August 8	Nicholas Grimaldi	Agawam
Springfield	Rose Curto	Springfield
August 12	Alfred A. Messier	Agawam
Chicopee	Mary Louise Pouliotte	Chicopee
August 12	Alfonso Moccio	Agawam
Springfield	Loretta Burkey	Longmeadow
August 17	James Mercadante	Agawam
Springfield	Philomena Menno	Agawam
August 19	W. Herman Ferry	Milton
Boston	Amy H. Hull	Agawam
August 26	Orazio Rovelli	Agawam
Chicopee	Laura Ida Frigon Avando	Chicopee
August 26	Floyd L. Prouty	West Springfield
Agawam	Louise E. Farrell	West Springfield
August 31	Weyman E. Maxwell	Agawam
Springfield	Minta A. Locke	Pembroke, N. H.
September 2	Clair W. Trevallion	Agawam
Agawam	Marie Blanche Poirier	Agawam
September 7	Robert R. Kane	Agawam
Springfield	Agnes M. Whyte	Agawam
September 14	Gino Marcheselli	West Springfield
Agawam	Florence Borgatti	Agawam
September 16	Henry G. Soper	Agawam
Agawam	Helen E. Kuralt	Agawam
September 20	Theodore Raymond	Agawam
Springfield	Edna E. Bassett	Agawam
September 30	Raymond Neilsen	Springfield
West Springfield	Rosella T. Arnold	Agawam
October 8	Harvey G. Houle	Agawam
Suffield, Ct.	Eleanor Duquette	Springfield

October 12	Charles B. Toussaint	Agawam
Agawam	Charlotte M. Goss	Agawam
November 2	Harold A. Milner	Springfield
Springfield	Laura R. Cantelli	Agawam
November 4	Michael A. Di Lullo, Jr.	Agawam
Springfield	Adeline Josephine Natle	Agawam
November 4	Sylvester Del Campo	Agawam
Springfield	Louise Kopcinski	Agawam
November 11	Cornelius K. Fitzgerald	Agawam
Springfield	Mary T. Sheehan	Springfield
November 19	Albert Edward Green	Springfield
West Springfield	Gertrude Cecilia La Violette	Agawam
November 25	Clayton W. Duclos	Agawam
Agawam	Amelia Ferranti	Agawam
November 27	Harold Henry Campbell	Agawam
Springfield	Mary Rose Curran	Springfield
November 28	Thomas Rosso	Agawam
West Springfield	Olive Gelinek	West Springfield
November 28	Felix Imelio	Agawam
Agawam	Rose Lovotti	Agawam
November 28	Robert Francis La Riviere	East Longmeadow
East Longmeadow	Haldis Louise Bye	Agawam
November 29	Harold Bennett Curtis	Springfield
Agawam	Medora Frances Wilson	Agawam
December 3	James Clayton Atwater	Agawam
West Springfield	Grace Hunt Ashwell	West Springfield
December 3	Eric I. N. Appeltofft	Agawam
Springfield	Hilda E. Anderson	Agawam
December 9	Stanley Daniel White	Agawam
Springfield	Elizabeth Constance McRae	Springfield
December 28	Thomas Albano	Thompsonville, Ct.
Springfield	Filomena Calabrese	Agawam
December 28	Charles Raymond Poole	West Springfield
Agawam	Edith Lillian F. Parnell	Springfield

DEATHS REGISTERED IN AGAWAM FOR THE YEAR 1929

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age y	m	d	Cause of Death
Jan. 1	Catherine C. Mandorla	71	0	0	Broncho Pneumonia
Jan. 7	Lillian R. Barber	0	0	2	
Jan. 9	John E. Soden	69	0	0	Angina Pectoris
Jan. 11	Norma M. Cook	0	9	19	Pneumonia
Jan. 11	Louis Petithory	71	9	18	Hemorrhage
Jan. 14	Emily F. Avery	74	9	15	Carcinoma
Jan. 15	Irene Margaret De Gray	31	0	0	Pneumonia
Jan. 16	Louisa Scherpa	32	5	0	Pneumonia
Jan. 23	Lawrence Eugene Provost	0	11	12	Pneumonia
Jan. 25	Delema M. Fountain	79	0	0	Sarcoma
Jan. 25	Albina M. Vincelette	50	3	7	Nephritis
Feb. 6	A. Elizabeth O. Stacy	80	5	29	Hemorrhage
Feb. 21	Dexter Marcus Steere	74	5	4	Influenza
Feb. 27	Catherine A. Smith	50	2	16	Carcinoma
Mar. 6	Lewis E. Young	62	8	25	Cardiac Dilatation
Mar. 11	Evelyn Mae Quackenbush	6	3	5	Peritonitis
Mar. 14	Emory F. Munsell	77	9	12	Nephritis
Mar. 19	Brigeda B. Peretti	59	0	0	Peritonitis
Mar. 26	Rebecca E. Granger	25	5	23	Surgical Operation
Mar. 27	Wilfred Arthur Deslauriers	53	2	7	Accident
Apr. 7	Ann Campbell McVeigh	77	0	0	Arterio Sclerosis
Apr. 9	Elizabeth Soule Malley	77	1	22	Hemorrhage
Apr. 11	Arthur A. Giffin	67	0	19	Pulmonary Embolus
Apr. 16	Lester Grant Johnson	58	4	12	Nephritis
Apr. 19	Elizabeth A. Herlihy	4	0	4	Rheumatic heart disease
Apr. 26	Stanford L. Stanley	74	7	26	Carcinoma
Apr. 27	Mary Ann Pyne	79	0	26	Hemorrhage
May 3	Lillian C. Stickney Smith	74	5	16	Broncho Pneumonia
May 3	Andrew Tricinello	65			Nephritis
May 20	Rose Ann Lilly Morgan	59	11	17	Septicemia
May 21	Alexander King	74	6		Carcinoma
May 25	Olivena Emma Goulet	47	4	11	Tuberculosis
May 29	Hannah Sullivan La Flamme	76	8	17	Broncho Pneumonia
May 30	John C. Toelken	69	6	9	Mitral Insufficiency
May 18	Samuel L. Webber	52			Nephritis
May 21	Carolina Berti	87			Accident
May 30	John Dziemian	49			Carcinoma

June	2	Nancy Juke Charkovy	24			Hemorrhage
June	5	Peter Grimaldi		10	28	Asphysia
June	7	Arnold W. Purnell	24	4	20	Pistol shot wound
June	9	Elio Aldo Raimondi			3	Heart
June	9	Carrie L. Carter	56	11	28	Carcinoma
July	2	Mary Sanderson Pond	53	11	29	Carcinoma
July	4	Victoria Shibley	15	8	1	Tuberculosis
July	7	Elizabeth Annable Lyons	73	5	25	Hemiplegia
July	16	Ada Lodi Scagliarini	41	0	17	Auto accident
July	21	James Jasmin	89	7	16	Carcinoma
July	22	Earl T. McMaster	16	6	16	Heart Disease
Aug.	10	Daniel Meers	81			Sclerosis
Sept.	1	James E. Ryan	65			Carcinoma
Sept.	5	Annie Costello Nash	77			Pneumonia
Sept.	21	Doris Achilles			26	Infection
Sept.	27	Charles L. P. Hunt	66	6	15	Carcinoma
Oct.	4	Dorothy Arnold	3	5	16	Accidental
Oct.	25	William F. Cook	78	6	24	Myocarditis
Oct.	26	Jennie E. Houle Dwyer	51	6		Hemorrhage
Oct.	28	Fannie A. Covill Brown	71	11	8	Nephritis
Nov.	4	Florence S. Phelon Rising	40	2	14	Myocarditis
Nov.	6	Bridget Geary Bolton	79			Gangrene
Nov.	8	Thomas O'Brien	81			Hemorrhage
Nov.	19	Michael Ferrarini	57			Angina Pectoris
Nov.	4	Eris Soderlund	30	8	26	Appendicitis
Nov.	11	Charlotte E. Schaedlich	63		2	Diabetes
Dec.	8	Philander Houghton	14	8	26	Drowning
Dec.	26	Adelaid N. Parsons	89	2	11	Arterio Sclerotic
Dec.	27	Thomas A. Foy	37	1	24	Tuberculosis

Statistical Report

Births recorded	125
Marriages recorded	61
Deaths recorded	70
Legal papers recorded	54
Dogs licensed	760
Sporting licenses issued	605
Marriage licenses issued	56

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Town Clerk

Report of the Accounting Officer

To the Honorable the Board of Selectmen:

The annual report of the Accounting Department, covering the financial transactions of the Town of Agawam for the year 1929 is herewith submitted.

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1928

Cash	$74,109.79	
Taxes 1924	560.41	
Taxes 1925	2,657.74	
Taxes 1926	13,888.23	
Taxes 1927	39,191.57	
Taxes 1928	102,122.47	
Accounts Receivable		
Health	105.71	
Estimated Receipts	829.56	
Sewer Entrances	15.25	
Public Welfare	1,080.47	
Schools	214.70	
Sidewalks 1927	279.11	
Sidewalks 1928	959.00	
Water Rates	4,049.41	
Water Entrances	197.74	
Tax Titles	517.36	
Revenue Loans		$80,000.00
Surplus War Bonus		2,701.14
Overlay 1923		7.65
Overlay 1924		3,993.80
Overlay 1925		805.01

Overlay 1926		1,724.01
Overlay 1927		876.07
Overlay 1928		929.82
Special Assessment Revenue		1,238.11
Phelon Library Fund		27.52
Departmental Revenue		1,416.13
Water Revenue		4,247.15
Tax Title Revenue		517.36
Excess and Deficiency		47,510.80
Alteration to High School Building		5,000.00
High School Addition		75,672.03
Water Maintenance		14,010.22
Old Cemetery Fund		63.68
Maple Grove Cemetery Fund		38.02
	$240,778.52	$240,778.52

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE—TAXES

Current Year		
Property	$161,499.22	
Polls	2,432.00	
Excise (Motor Vehicle)	9,199.51	
		$173,130.73
Previous Years		
Property	$110,527.15	
Polls	2,238.00	
		$112,765.15
From State		
Corporation	$ 8,119.64	
Income	45,795.47	
		$ 53,915.11

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Junk	$ 45.00
Amusement	1,036.00

Milk	11.00	
Garage	10.00	
Slaughter	262.00	
All other	142.50	
		$ 1,506.50

FINES

Court	$ 1,323.50	
Sheriff	76.00	
		$ 1,399.50

GRANTS AND GIFTS

From County, Dog Licenses	$ 1,494.98

ALL OTHER GENERAL REVENUE

Rent	$ 667.00

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Special Assessments		
Sidewalks 1927	$ 279.11	
Sidewalks 1928	746.17	
		$ 1,025.28
Public Service		
Memorial Bridge rental		$ 109.67
Departmental		
Collector	$ 343.99	
Town Clerk	118.00	
Fire Department	50.00	
Sealers Fees	84.88	
Health	107.14	
Sanitation	691.53	
Highway Sale of Materials	75.25	
Highway Repairs of Roads	205.80	
Silver St. Construction		
State	7,278.80	
County	7,278.80	
		$ 16,234.19

CHARITIES

Reimbursement for Aid		
Individuals	$ 27.01	
Cities and Towns	310.94	
State	629.88	
		$ 967.83

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

State Aid	$ 96.00	
Veterans Exemptions	33.08	
		$ 129.08

SCHOOLS

Tuition of State Wards	$ 163.50	
Other Tuition	1,160.34	
		$ 1,323.84

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Fines	$ 83.41	$ 83.41

UNCLASSIFIED

Payments made in Lieu of Taxes		
City of Springfield	$ 1,662.05	
		$ 1,662.05

WATER DEPARTMENT

Meter rates	$ 22,504.27	
Water Connections	2,745.42	
		$ 25,249.69

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Anticipation of Revenue	$230,000.00

INTEREST

Interest Received on Taxes	$ 8,582.75	
Interest Received on Excise	8.05	
Interest Received on Deposits	615.23	
		$ 9,206.03

TRUST FUND INTEREST

Library	$ 774.44	
Other Trust Funds	81.69	
		$ 856.13

AGENCY TRUST AND INVESTMENT

From State		
Non Resident Bank Tax		$ 225.45

RECAPITULATION

Receipts for the year 1929		
General Revenue	$344,878.97	
Commercial Revenue	6,977.75	
For Highway Construction		
From State	7,278.80	
From County	7,278.80	
Water Department	25,249.69	
Interest	10,062.16	
Municipal Indebtedness		
Anticipation of Revenue	230,000.00	
Non-resident bank tax	225.45	
Cash on hand	74,109.79	
		$706,061.41

PAYMENTS
DEPARTMENTAL

General Government		
Legislative		
Moderator	$ 5.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	13.63	
Other Expenses	27.15	
		$ 45.78
Executive		
Selectmen	$ 1,500.00	
Zoning	572.55	
Printing, stationery and postage	36.60	
Carfare, teams, etc.	8.85	
All Other	1.50	
		$ 2,119.50

Financial		
Auditor and Accountant	$ 582.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	19.66	
All Other	.35	
		$ 602.01
Treasury		
Salaries and Wages	$ 1,704.16	
Printing, stationery and postage	70.73	
All other	65.00	
		$ 1,839.89
Collector		
Salaries and Wages	$ 1,316.49	
Printing, stationery and postage	203.31	
All other expenses	178.01	
		$ 1,697.81
Assessors		
Salaries and Wages	$ 3,198.60	
Printing, stationery and postage	96.37	
		$ 3,294.97
Law Department		
Town Counsel	$ 250.00	
Other Counsel	270.22	
		$ 520.22
Town Clerk's Department		
Salary and Wages	$ 624.20	
Printing, stationery and postage	11.82	
All Other	32.25	
		$ 668.27

Election and Registration Department			
Registrars	$	45.00	
Election Officers		150.00	
Printing, stationery and postage		124.60	
All other expenses		2.50	
			$ 322.10
Municipal Buildings			
Town Halls			
Janitors	$	168.55	
Electric Lights		391.09	
Repairs		32.50	
Insurance		104.54	
Iron grating with door		65.00	
100 chairs for F. H. Hall		125.00	
All other expenses		32.80	
			$ 919.48

PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Fire Department		
Salaries and Wages		
Commissioners	$	150.00
Department Men		1,200.00
Janitors		150.00
Other Wages		2.00
Automobiles		
Care of Same		535.33
Apparatus		
International 2 Ton Pump and Hose Car		2,170.00
Chassis and Motor for Same		1,805.00
Kits		60.00
Hose		953.05
Gas and Oil		24.50
All Other		15.70

Fuel and Light			
Fuel		312.49	
Light		48.37	
Buildings and Grounds			
Repairs		155.48	
All Other		38.03	
Other Expenses			
Stationery, Etc.,		7.60	
Telephone		60.56	
All Other		6.90	
			$ 7,695.01
Police Department			
Salaries and Wages			
Chief	$ 2,400.00		
Other		172.63	
Automobile and Care of Same		876.06	
Traffic Signals		522.29	
Badges and Other Equipment		75.53	
Gas and Oil		374.22	
Telephone		65.62	
Lock-up-fees		98.15	
All other expenses		29.21	
			$ 4,613.71
Sealer Weights and Measures			
Salary of Sealer	$ 480.00		
Transportation		15.00	
Equipment		66.66	
All other expenses		38.87	
			$ 600.53
Forestry			
Salaries and Wages			
Superintendent	$ 189.75		
Other Wages		277.00	
Transportation		24.00	
Cutting Brush		323.75	
			$ 814.50

Gypsy Moth		
Salaries and Wages		
Superintendent	$ 158.89	
Other Wages	208.50	
Transportation	22.25	
Equipment	8.40	
All other expenses	.33	
Insecticide	.20	
		$ 398.57

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

General Administration		
Salaries and Wages	$ 300.00	
Other Expenses	146.08	
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases		
Medical Attendance	6.00	
Bacterial Tests	103.00	
All other expenses	4.15	
Tuberculosis		
Maintenance of Hospital	1,154.17	
Board and Treatment	425.00	
Vital Statistics		
Births	12.75	
Deaths	14.50	
Other Expenses		
Fumigation and Disinfectants	56.03	
Diphtheria Clinic	139.18	
All other expenses	34.78	
Inspection		
Animals	388.00	
Meats	1,058.00	
		$ 3,841.64

SANITATION

Sanitary Sewers			
Labor, Pay Rolls	$ 797.51		
Pipe and Fittings	544.33		
All other expenses	69.31		
Refuse and Garbage			
Garbage	400.00		
		$	1,811.15

HIGHWAYS

General Administration			
Insurance and Registration of Trucks	$ 29.75		
Order Books	10.00		
		$	39.75
Salaries, Pay Rolls	$ 7,010.98		
Automobile Expense	173.03		
Gravel, Stone, Tar, Etc.,	1,392.78		
Equipment and Repairs	972.09		
Gas, Oil and All Other	1,182.08	$	10,730.96
Bridges			
Maintenance South End Bridge	$ 3.71		
Maintenance Hampden County Memorial Bridge	26.45		
Repairs to Mittineague Bridge, Scraping, Painting, new sidewalk and railings	2,445.21		
Repairs to Agawam Bridge Resurfacing with Tarite	74.49		
		$	2,549.86
Care of Parks			
Mowing Green	$ 3.75	$	3.75
Sidewalk Construction			
Walnut Street walk	$ 2,016.59	$	2,016.59

Snow and Ice Removal			
Salaries, Pay Rolls	$ 255.82		
Automobile hire	55.00		
Gas, Oil and All Other	86.90		
		$	397.72
Fences			
Fence material, lumber, railings etc.		$	303.43
Culverts			
Metal Culverts		$	836.72
Street Lighting			
Contract	$ 9,268.95		
Other Street Lights	381.62	$	9,650.57
Street Signs			
Material for Same		$	4.05
Other Expenses			
State Highway Tax		$	2,433.74
All other expenses		$	65.50
		$	29,032.64
Construction			
Silver Street	$ 29,458.66		
School Street	10,214.60		39,673.26
Numbering of Houses		$	100.00

PUBLIC WELFARE

General Administration	$ 308.53		
Outside Relief by Town	4,573.58		
Relief by Other Cities and Towns	2,579.96	$	7,462.07
Other Outside Relief, later reimbursed from Pyne Fund		$	20.26

SOLDIERS BENEFITS

State Aid	$ 114.00	
Military Aid	30.00	
		$ 144.00

SCHOOLS

General Administration		
Salary of Superintendent	$ 4,549.97	
Salary of Clerk	1,633.36	
Salary of Truant Officer	650.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	58.66	
Telephone	64.43	
Traveling Expenses	158.35	
All Other general expenses	30.00	
		$ 7,144.77
Teachers Salaries		
High	$ 23,947.00	
Elementary	62,249.00	
Supervisors	4,080.00	
		$ 90,276.00
Principal's Salary	$ 2,940.00	$ 2,940.00
Agriculture Department		
Salaries	$ 1,040.00	
Books and Supplies	222.67	
		$ 1,262.67
Text Books and Supplies		
High		
Text and Reference Books	$ 1,712.96	
All Other	758.51	
Elementary		
Text and Reference Books	2,139.21	
All Other	2,685.21	
		$ 7,295.89

Tuition		
Elementary	$ 432.87	
Vocational	1,654.65	$ 2,087.52
Transportation		
Elementary	7,234.04	$ 7,234.04
Support of Truants	78.01	$ 78.01
Janitor's Services		
High	2,063.73	
Elementary	7,142.26	
		$ 9,205.99
Fuel and Light		
High	$ 2,029.25	
Elementary	6,741.75	
		$ 8,771.00
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds		
High		
Repairs	$ 620.58	
Janitor's Supplies	94.41	
All Other	245.21	
Elementary		
Repairs	3,973.11	
Janitor's Supplies	496.11	
All Other	393.12	
		$ 5,822.54
Furniture and Furnishings		
High	$ 571.32	
Elementary	539.02	
		$ 1,110.34
Other Expenses		
Diplomas and Graduation	$ 202.93	
Miscellaneous printing	179.91	
All Other	210.16	$ 593.00

Library			
Books	$ 127.30	$ 127.30	
Health			
High	$ 125.00		
Elementary	1,925.50	$ 2,050.50	
		$145,999.57	
Buildings			
Addition to High School	$ 75,188.82		
Alterations to present High School building	5,378.07	$ 80,566.89	
		$226,566.46	

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Salaries and Wages			
Librarians	$ 400.00		
Other Salaries	1.75		
Books and Periodicals			
Books	1,304.84		
Periodicals	16.60		
Binding Books	18.60		
Fuel and Light			
Lights	10.01		
Repairs to buildings	29.64		
All other expenses to buildings	1.50		
Stationery and Postage	33.58		
Printing	5.43	$ 1,821.95	

UNCLASSIFIED

Surety Bonds			
Town Clerk bond	$ 5.00		
Treasurer bond	175.00		
Tax Collector's bond	350.00	$ 530.00	

Aid to Agriculture		$ 400.00
Land Damage		5.00
Damage to Property		35.00
Memorial Day Observance		150.00
Liability Insurance		563.70
Printing and Distributing Town Reports		403.55

CEMETERIES

Care of North Cemetery	$ 25.00	
		$ 25.00

WATER DEPARTMENT

Administration		
Commissioners	$ 300.00	
Supt. and Registrar	1,560.00	
Collector	479.10	
Printing, stationery and postage	204.45	
All other expenses	52.45	
		$ 2,596.00
General Department		
Construction on Silver St.		
Pipe, fittings, etc.	$ 5,808.10	
Pay Rolls	1,599.00	
	$ 6,807.10	
Construction on Line St.	$ 3,496.04	
Construction on Moore St.	109.56	
Construction on Rowley St.	1,000.00	
Water purchased	7,779.87	
Meters and Repairs to Same	767.26	
All other expenses	369.48	
		$ 20,329.31
Refund for pipe returned on water entrance		$ 18.00

Service Pipe		
Labor	$ 1,530.50	
Pipe and Fittings	1,183.03	
All Other	374.62	
		$ 3,088.15
Payment of bonds	$ 5,500.00	
Interest on bonds	3,248.75	$ 8,748.75
		$ 34,780.21

INTEREST AND MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Interest		
Anticipation Revenue loans	$ 6,285.75	
High School loan	11,950.00	
Other Schools	3,121.25	
Memorial Bridge loan	2,000.00	
Highway loans	680.00	
Sewer	600.00	
		$ 24,637.00
Municipal Indebtedness		
Anticipation Revenue Loans	$230,000.00	
High School	13,000.00	
High School Addition	10,000.00	
Other Schools	8,000.00	
Memorial Bridge	4,000.00	
Highway	11,000.00	
Sewer	1,000.00	
		$277,000.00

AGENCY TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Taxes		
State	$ 10,795.00	
County	14,059.89	
Private Trust Funds	774.44	
Other Public Trust Funds	37.75	
Trust Co. Tax 1926	18.40	
Trust Co. Tax 1927	1.94	
		$ 25,687.42

REFUNDS

Taxes	$ 85.23	
Interest	.42	
Excise	16.26	
		$ 101.91

RECAPITULATION

Payments for the year 1929		
General Government	$ 11,110.55	
Municipal Buildings	919.48	
Protection to Persons and Property	14,122.32	
Health and Sanitation	5,652.79	
Highway Department	14,931.74	
Highway Construction		
Silver Street	29,458.66	
School Street	10,214.60	
Street Lighting	9,650.57	
Sidewalk Construction	2,016.59	
Numbering of Houses	100.00	
State Highway Tax	2,433.74	
Charities and Soldiers Benefits	7,626.33	
Schools	145,999.57	
School Buildings	80,566.89	
Library	1,821.95	
Unclassified	2,087.25	
Cemetery	25.00	
Public Service Enterprises	34,780.21	
Interest and Maturing Dept.		
Interest	24,637.00	
Municipal Indebtedness	277,000.00	
Agency Trust and Investment	25,687.42	
Refunds	101.91	
Cash and Other Public Trust funds	5,116.84	
		$706,061.41

TRIAL BALANCE AFTER CLOSING BOOKS

DECEMBER 31, 1929

Cash	$ 5,116.84	
Taxes 1927	2,792.21	
Taxes 1928	40,152.00	
Taxes 1929	98,549.30	
Motor Vehicle Tax	5,044.08	
Accounts Receivable		
Health	708.62	
Sewer Entrances	257.80	
Public Welfare	1,088.84	
Schools	87.50	
Sidewalks 1928	212.83	
Sidewalks 1929	914.85	
County Aid to Highways	4,721.20	
State Aid to Highways	4,721.20	
Airport Aid to Highways	12,000.00	
Water Rates	2,200.42	
Water Entrances	291.58	
Tax Titles	1,671.35	
Revenue Loan		80,000.00
Surplus War Bonus		2,701.14
Overlay 1927		151.41
Overlay 1928		885.60
Overlay 1929		711.89
Phelon Library Fund		27.80
Income Old Cemetery Fund		97.31
Income Maple Grove Cemetery Fund		48.05
Overlay Reserve		5,718.63
Departmental Revenue		3,776.47
Special Assessment Revenue		1,127.68
Water Revenue		2,487.80
Tax Title Revenue		1,671.35
Est. Receipts A/c Rec. Motor Vehicle Tax	3,808.70	

Motor Vehicle Tax Revenue		5,035.92
Excess and Deficiency		57,550.66
Silver Street Construction		18,541.34
Alteration to High School		20.00
High School Addition		85.14
Libraries		73.03
Water Maintenance		4,479.70
School Street Construction	214.60	
Interest	637.00	
	$185,190.92	$185,190.92

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand January 1, 1929	$ 74,109.79	
Receipts of 1929	631,951.62	
		$706,061.41
Payments of 1929	$700,944.57	
Cash on hand December 31, 1929	5,116.84	
		$706,061.41

TRUST FUNDS

Whiting Street Fund		
On Hand January 1, 1929		
Cash	$ 1,130.06	
Securities	5,500.00	
Received		
Income from Fund	322.19	
		$ 6,952.25
Paid by order of Trustees	$ 388.63	
On Hand December 31, 1929		
Cash	$ 1,063.62	
Securities	5,500.00	
		$ 6,952.25
Desire A. Pyne Fund		
On Hand January 1, 1929		
Securities	$ 2,000.00	
Cash	238.31	
Income	93.55	
		$ 2,331.86

Paid orders of Selectmen	$ 159.43		
On Hand December 31, 1929			
Securities	$ 2,000.00		
Cash	172.43		
		$	2,331.86

Phelon School Fund

On Hand January 1, 1929			
Securities	$ 4,150.00		
Cash	996.35		
Sale of Securities	1,000.00		
Income of Fund	226.29		
		$	6,372.64
Expenditures			
Orders of School Committee	$ 100.00		
Purchase of Securities	1,000.00		
Premium on Securities	21.25		
Accrued Interest and Commission	13.25		
On Hand December 31, 1929			
Securities	4,150.00		
Cash	1,088.14		
		$	6,372.64

Phelon Library Fund

On Hand January 1, 1929			
Securities	$ 500.00		
Income received	24.03		
		$	524.03
Paid Trust Fund Income	$ 24.03		
On Hand December 31, 1929			
Securities	500.00		
		$	524.03

Davis Library Fund

Income from Fund for 1929	$ 774.44		
		$	774.44

Paid F. A. Worthington Treasury	$ 774.44		
		$	774.44
Maple Grove Cemetery Fund			
Securities on Hand Jan. 1, 1929	$ 500.00		
Income from Fund	24.03		
		$	524.03
Paid Town Treasury	$ 24.03		
Securities on Hand Dec. 31, 1929	500.00		
		$	524.03
Old Cemetery Fund			
Securities on Hand Jan. 1, 1929	$ 700.00		
Income from Fund	33.63		
		$	733.63
Paid Town Treasury	$ 33.63		
Securities on Hand Dec. 31, 1929	700.00		
		$	733.63

HENRY E. BODURTHA,

Treasurer

Thirteen bonds of $1,000, payable annually Oct. 1, 1930-1942 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%, water loan	$ 13,000.00
Bonds of 1913 water loan payable $3,500, annually July 1, 1930-1943 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	44,000.00
Bonds of 1917 water loan payable $1,000, annually Oct. 1, 1930-1942 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	13,000.00
Bonds of 1916 Schoolhouse loan, $1,000, payable annually July 1, 1930-1934 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	5,000.00
Bonds of 1917 Schoolhouse loan $1,000, payable annually Sept. 1, 1930-1932 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	3,000.00
Bonds of 1916 Sewer loan $1,000, payable annually Dec. 1, 1930-1943 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	14,000.00
Bonds of High School $13,000, payable annually Sept. 1, 1930-1931, $12,000, annually Sept. 1, 1932-1941 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 5%	146,000.00
Bonds of School house loan of 1924 payable annually $3,000 June 1, 1930; $2,000 payable annually June 1, 1931-1944 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4¼%	31,000.00

Bonds of Schoolhouse loan of 1925 payable $3,000, annually June 1, 1930-1940 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	32,000.00	
Bonds of Memorial Bridge loan payable $4,000, Oct. 1, 1930; $3,000, annually Oct. 1, 1931-1944 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	46,000.00	
Bonds of Highway loan payable $2,000, annually Oct. 1, 1930-1933 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	8,000.00	
Bonds of High School addition of 1928, payable $10,000, annually Nov. 1930-1938 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	90,000.00	
Temporary loans	80,000.00	
		$525,000.00

REPORT OF

Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

This year there has been about three thousand feet of rock base placed under the gravel roads. The purpose of this is to make a foundation that will hold the automobile travel somewhere near the surface during the mud season.

There are many more places where the mud is impassable to automobiles for a long period of time in the Spring and we believe that these places should be given the same treatment.

We have erected several new wooden guard rails this year.

In the Agawam section especially on Leonard and Adam Streets about one thousand yards of cinders have been placed, while North Agawam has received some cinders in the worst places. In West Agawam and Feeding Hills section about fifteen hundred yards of gravel were placed on the highways.

A large car of Calcium Chloride was purchased and used on the cinder and gravel roads this Spring as this chemical preserves the road as well as holding the dust down in the Summer.

One more year should complete the hardening of School Street, as we were able to get a very low price on the section that was done this year and we would like to see the same plan used on Suffield Street that has worked out so satisfactory this year on School street.

The Silver Street project was started this year and will be completed this next Spring. With the aid of the Airport we have built a much longer strip of macadam road than would have been possible with only the State and County aid.

Very little new equipment has been purchased by the Highway Department this year. There should be one new truck this coming year possibly two. The Chevrolets are giving good service but they cannot last forever as they have been used continually for two and three years respectively and we would recommend if a new truck is purchased it should be large enough to carry a snow plough.

One of the heaviest expenses this year was the repairs on the Mittineague Bridge as we found it necessary to give it a complete overhauling.

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

The calls made upon this department have been many this year due in most instances to the unemployment situation. Many of the families aided were of a temporary nature, while others were for a longer period of time; and at the present time we have cases which are expensive to the town. We have made it a practice to place in private homes some of our cases as we find it more satisfactory and cheaper than placing them in institutions.

In our road program this year the highway department stone based about three thousand feet of graveled roads and many of those that applied for aid were given at least part time work, thereby making them self-supporting and at the same time keeping them off of the welfare books.

In our nineteen thirty program we are planning to do the same work on a much larger scale, thereby giving work to many more men, and as business conditions do not seem to improve we cannot see any let up in our welfare work for a while.

While we have employed every means to keep within our appropriation an out side bill for a large amount put us over a little.

Included with this report are the expenditures of this department.

EXPENDITURES

Groceries	1,058.67
Rent	261.63
Fuel, Coal and Wood	445.75
Clothing	251.88
Medical attendance	181.20

Artificial Limbs	58.65
Cash	128.00
Board and Care	1,942.01
Burial	50.00
Hospital	185.89
Paid other cities and towns	2,579.96
Administration—salaries and expenses four men	308.53
Due the town on State cases	508.96
Due from other cities and towns	579.88

During the year 43 families for a total of 151 persons were aided by this department.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

We have been very fortunate this year in not having an alarming number of contagious diseases. Our Scarlet Fever cases were scattered so did not cause much fear of an epidemic, and they were fewer in number than the previous year.

The Clinics given for the immunization were very gratifying to the Board. Owing to the strong cooperation of the School Department, the School Nurse, the Community Nurse, our local Physician, the State Physician for this district, and the parents of the children, we were able to administer the three immunization inoculations to seven hundred and sixteen school and pre school children.

We have been extremely fortunate in our Diphtheria cases in Agawam during the past year as we have had only three cases and one since the Clinic; that being one brought here from out of town.

Our Tuberculosis cases are very expensive and Agawam's share or apportionment for the County Sanatorium at Leeds is eleven hundred and fifty-four dollars and seventeen cents and then we are called upon to pay the expenses of all the patients who are unable to pay. We admitted three during the year, and fortunately we have but a few cases.

ZONING DEPARTMENT

During this year this department saw an increase in the number of buildings erected. Nearly two hundred applications were made and the number of permits granted were one hundred and seventy while twelve were denied. Two buildings were erected

which were not in conformity with the applications and they were condemned and rebuilt in a satisfactory manner. Three cellars were moved back from the street or from the side lines and the foundations of one house was forced back from the street about twelve feet, all due to the fact that the building operations were started with out procuring the necessary permits first.

A few violations were found but in most instances the residents are willing to cooperate with the department and we feel sure that any violations found were not deliberate but rather from ignorance of the zoning laws.

The law in its original state was found to be without teeth but at a special town meeting this was corrected, making it necessary to get a permit to build before starting to build.

Three things are necessary to remember, first get your application and fill it out, then get your permit and before the building is occupied get a certificate of occupancy.

The number and kinds of buildings, etc., that permits were granted for are as follows:

Airport Hangar	1
Signs	1
Tool House	1
Additions and Alterations	26
Gas Stations	1
Gas Pumps	2
Flower Display Stand	1
Pump House	1
Barns	3
Ice Houses, Natural	2
Ice Plant, Artificial	1
Poultry and Brooder Houses	21
Garages	64
Dwellings	43
All Others	3
Total	171

Report of the Chief of Police

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you the annual report of the Police Department from January 1, 1929 to December 31, 1929 inclusive.

ARRESTS

Assault	6
Assault and Battery	2
Adultery	1
Alien in Possession of Fire Arms	1
Automobile Violation	45
Breaking and Entering	4
Bribing Police Officer	1
Bastardy	2
Cruelty to Animals	1
Carrying Revolver	1
Drunkenness	60
Fugitive from Justice	7
Fornication	1
Hunting without License	1
Insane	1
Lewd and Lascivious Co-habitation	2
Larceny	19
Larceny of Automobile	3
Liquor Violation	13
Malicious Breaking of Glass on Public Street	2
Non-Support	3

Neglected Children	2
Possessing of Pheasants Illegally	1
Peddling without License	1
Run-a-way Boys	3
Receiving Stolen Property	1
Setting Fire without Permit	1
Stubbornness	2
Suspects	7
Vagrancy	4
Violation Probation	5
Total number of Arrests	203

DISPOSITION

Continued Day to Day	12
Committed to State Institution	1
Discharged	4
Filed	3
Fined	100
House of Correction	2
Northampton (Insane Hospital)	1
Ordered Out of Town	3
Probation	11
Restitution	9
Released	12
Secured License	1
Sentenced to Jail	7
Sentenced to Concord	1
Sentenced to Lyman School	1
Sentenced to Shirley	1
Suspended Sentence	18
Turned to Other Police	16
Total	203

Total Amount of Fines Imposed	$ 4,449.50
Total Amount turned back to Town Treasury	1,399.50
Restitution	1,327.00
Value of Automobiles Recovered	4,600.00
Summons served for other Police Depts.	236

In submitting this my third Annual Police Report to the Town of Agawam, I wish to state that we have had an extremely busy year in Police work. There have been numerous cases of larceny, breaking and enterings as well as other cases, which I believe have been taken care of satisfactorily. It has been extremely gratifying to me for the help and assistance I have received from the Special Police, the State Officers and all others, for the support and co-operation rendered.

We have installed a traffic signal at Feeding Hills Center which I feel will solve the traffic problem at this point and will also be of great assistance to school children and pedestrians from a safety standpoint. I am in hopes more can be accomplished along this line the coming season to help solve our traffic problems and in the interest of Safety.

Respectfully submitted,

PERLEY J. HEWEY,

Chief of Police

Report of Board of Fire Engineers

For the Year Ending December 31, 1929

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

In submitting our report this year, we feel that the Department has had a very successful one.

The calls made on the Department were less this year than last. The loss by Fire was slightly larger, but this is no reflection on the members of the Fire Department.

One very bad fire on Meadow Street which destroyed a dwelling and store, occurred on the night of the Annual Fire Works display in West Springfield. Company No. 3 of the Center Station had a very difficult time to reach the scene of the fire due to the crowded condition of all roads leading to the fire.

The new fire truck for which money was appropriated at the Annual Town Meeting has been purchased and has given excellent service. We feel that it is only fair to all residents of our town that another piece of apparatus be purchased in 1930, and another in 1931. This will put Agawam on a par with any town which has a strictly Volunteer Fire Department, and this we recommend.

Each member of all three Companies have been provided with a warm waterproof coat. It has taken three years to do this, buying a few each year.

Some new hose will have to be purchased in 1930.

It is our earnest desire to see each member of the Department receive Twenty-five dollars per year. We feel that this is small enough considering what they do in the course of a year. This will mean only $300.00 more. Please give this your careful consideration.

Following is a list of calls made upon the Department during the year 1929.

Dwellings	19
Barns	3
Stores	1
Garages	3
Hen House	1
Brush	6
Grass	16
Telephone Poles	1
False	2
Automobile	1
Total	53

North Agawam	14
Feeding Hills	12
Agawam Center	27
Total	53

Total loss ..... $ 28,925

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD J. GOSSELIN. Chairman
JAMES W. SHEA, Purchasing Agent
FRANK T. GOSS, Secretary

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

Your Sealer of Weights and Measures reports in a condensed form the following work done the last year.

No. Sealed	524
No. Condemned	26
Commodities Inspected	
Total Tested	280
Correct weight	193
Under weight	55
Over weight	32

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN U. LEONARD

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Superintendent for Gypsy Moths and Allied Pests

To the Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

In this, my first report as Superintendent for Gypsy Moths and allied insect pests, I wish to thank those who worked with me for their whole-hearted co-operation.

We found 3,011 egg clusters which were destroyed, but I am sorry to say it can not, as yet, be called a hundred per cent job.

To the best of my knowledge, there are in town no brown-tail moths, silver moths or Japanese beetles.

Thanking you for your help and assistance, I am,

Very truly,

EDWIN U. LEONARD

Assessors' Report

During the past year the new law regarding excise taxation of motor vehicles was put in effect, and, in general, we believe it has proven satisfactory although naturally under these new conditions, there has been a certain amount of misunderstanding.

In this connection we would call to your particular attention the sixty day clause in this law, requiring that applications for abatement or refund must be made within sixty days from date of sale or from date of tax bill. Proper blanks for such applications may be obtained at the Town office.

With the increasing valuation and number of persons listed and properties assessed, it has become necessary to readjust some of the work of this department. This is being done in conformity with the recommendations and requirements of the State Department of Taxation under whose direction the assessors work. The sole object of such changes as are thus being made is to provide more efficient service to you and improvements in the line of more equitable taxation.

In this connection also, we can report that progress is being made in the preparation of maps of the properties in town and that these are proving of great value in our work.

We again call to your attention the provisions of law requiring the filing of true lists of all property owned in town by each individual. This includes personal property as well as real estate. Proper blanks for filing such statements may be obtained at the Town office and should be filed with the Assessors between April first and May fifteenth of each year.

STATISTICAL REPORT

Horses	293
Cows	526
Sheep	50
Neat Cattle	165
Swine	309
Fowls	8,492
Value of Fowls	$8,492.00
Houses	1,515
Acres of Land	13,845

VALUATIONS

Buildings	$5,164,967.00	
Land	2,871,853.00	
Total Real Estate		$8,036,820.00
Personal Estate		1,066,284.00
Total Valuation		$9,103,104.00

Upon which taxes have been levied as follows:

County Tax	$ 14,059.89	
State Tax	10,795.00	
State Highway Tax	2,433.74	
Town Appropriations	307,195.00	
Overlay for Current Year	1,416.74	
		$ 335,900.37

Less estimated receipts:

Income Tax	38,292.90
Corporation Tax	6,500.00
Bank Tax	200.00
Licenses	1,800.00
Fines	1,600.00
Special Assessments	500.00
General Government	100.00
Highways	100.00
Protection of Persons and Property	100.00

Health and Sanitation	50.00		
Charities	1,000.00		
Soldier's Benefits	96.00		
Schools	1,000.00		
Libraries	75.00		
Interest on Deposits	500.00		
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	6,500.00		
Rentals	300.00		
Bills in Lieu of Taxes	800.00		
Auto Excise Taxes	13,000.00		
		$	72,513.90
Net amount to be raised on Polls and property		$	263,386.47
Number of Polls—1974 at $2.00 each			3,948.00
Tax on Personal and Real Estate at $28.50 per 1000		$	259,438.47
To Howard W. Pond, Tax Collector, was committed for collection, the sum of		$	263,386.47
Omitted Assessments			65.85
		$	263,452.32

ADOLPHUS PROVOST,
CLARENCE H. GRANGER,
PAUL B. JOHNSON,

Assessors

Report of Tax Collector

1929		
Tax committed	$263,386.47	
Omitted assessments	65.85	
Adjustments	74.32	
		$263,526.64
Cash paid the treasurer	$163,931.22	
Abatements and tax titles	1,046.12	
Uncollected taxes	98,549.30	
		$263,526.64
Previous Years		
January 1, 1929 balance due	$158,467.23	
Adjusted balances	68.12	
		$158,535.35
Cash paid treasurer	$112,765.15	
Abatements	1,639.65	
Tax titles	1,186.34	
Balance due, 1927	2,792.21	
Balance due, 1928	40,152.00	
		$158,535.35
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax of 1929		
Tax committed	$ 15,641.60	
		$ 15,641.60
Abatements	$ 1,398.01	
Cash paid to Treasurer	9,199.51	
Balance due	5,044.08	
		$ 15,641.60

Auditor's Report

February 24, 1930

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk and Treasurer and the Tax Collector for the year of 1929 as set forth in his annual report and to the best of my knowledge they are correctly and accurately recorded.

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD,

Auditor

REPORT OF THE
TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE COOPERATING WITH THE HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE
1929

To the Voters of Agawam:

Agawam annually appropriates $400 to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture working through the Hampden County Improvement League. This money is all spent in behalf of Agricultural and Home Economics Extension work in this town. The service and assistance given is free to all home owners, to farm and urban alike, also to all boys and girls interested in any of the 4-H Club projects such as Gardening, Dairy, Poultry, Fruit, Flowers, Canning, Cooking, Pigs, Baby Beef and Bees.

Owing to the close proximity of Agawam to the League Building your citizens have many advantages over those living in the outlying towns and from the reports of the agents they are showing their appreciation of these advantages.

The County Agricultural Agents and eighteen farm owners cooperated in projects which served as more or less as demonstrations in their communities:

Top-dressing hay land	1
Growing alfalfa	6
Sweet clover	1
Potatoes	2
Poultry flock sanitation	2
Night lighting brooded chicks	1
Grading eggs under State standards	1
Tuberculin testing	4
Vaccination for fowl pox	1
Pruning fruit trees	5
Remodel poultry houses	2
Dairy records	4

Service along similar lines was given to 22 other farm owners. Agawam farmers attended general meetings in growing legumes, livestock feeding, milk refrigeration, milk marketing; brooding chicks, flock management, poultry diseases, fruit pest control and orchard pruning.

The Home Bureau agents had the cooperation and assistance of eighteen local women from the different communities of Agawam in conducting the Home Economics program. They arranged for meeting places and prepared for teaching the groups by attending training conferences taught by the agents or specialists from the Massachusetts Agricultural College. Agents or specialists taught some of the groups and supervised all of the groups. Five projects were taught, Children's Clothing, Garment Finishes, Machine Attachments, Pressed Cane seating and Child Feeding. There were eight groups that held twenty-seven meetings with a total attendance of two hundred and ten.

Agawam is a 4-H Club town. There was a total enrollment of 238 in the clubs, 201 different boys and girls doing club work from every community of Agawam.

The State trophy cup offered by the State of Massachusetts for the best poultry team in judging was won by the Feeding Hills Poultry Club, Elbert Jenks, Richard Kellogg and Leroy Fournier represented the club. This was the third successive year and the cup became the club's property. They have presented it to the Agawam High School.

Elbert Jenks was chosen by the club members attending Camp Gilbert as the most outstanding 4-H Club boy and just recently the State Department of Agriculture awarded him a gold medal for having done the best work in his projects of all the 4-H Club boys in the State.

Creighton Abrams was selected to represent the Hampden County boys at Camp Field at the Brockton Fair.

Three County championships out of thirteen awarded in the county were won by Agawam boys:

Howard Bailey	Sheep
Henry Benoit	Pigs
Chester Pilch	Poultry

The canning club girls canned over 2,000 jars of fruit and vegetables.

Mr. Harold Atwater and Mr. Lee Jenks are town directors of the League and Mrs. Dwight Hawley is director at large.

We respectfully request a continuation of this appropriation and the cooperation of the citizens of Agawam for the year 1930.

HERMON W. KING,
CHARLES W. BRAY,
MRS. JOHN P. KIRBY,
MRS. WILLIAM G. DWIGHT,
HARRY C. LANE,
R. F. McELWAIN,
HORACE A. MOSES,
FRED A. UPHAM,

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture,

By: Otis E. Hall, Clerk

REPORT OF

Board of Water Commissioners

RECEIPTS

From Water Rents	$22,504.27	
From Water Connections	2,745.42	
		$ 25,249.69

EXPENDITURES

Maintenance

Commissioners	$ 300.00	
Superintendent and Registrar	1,560.00	
Collector	479.10	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	204.45	
Other Expense	52.45	
Water	7,779.87	
Meters and Repairs to Same	767.26	
All other expenses	369.48	
Service Pipe	3,088.15	
		$ 14,600.76
Refund for Pipe returned on entrance		18.00

CONSTRUCTION

Silver Street	$ 6,807.10	
Line Street	3,496.04	
Moore Street	109.56	
Rowley Street	1,000.00	
		$ 11,412.70

FINANCIAL

Payment and Interest on Bonds	$ 8,748.75	
		$ 8,748.75
Total		$ 34,780.21

W. S. KERR,
D. M. CROWLEY,
J. L. BURKE,
Water Commissioners

Report of Library Trustees

BOOKS

Number at Agawam	8,963
Number at Feeding Hills	5,960
Number at North Agawam	2,077

CIRCULATION

Agawam	16,935
Feeding Hills	7,674
North Agawam	8,055

BORROWERS

Agawam	850
Feeding Hills	352
North Agawam	400

ALICE B. GRANGER,
ANNA H. RUDMAN,
IDA BERNATCHEZ,

Library Trustees

ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

School Committee

and the

Superintendent of Schools

of the Town of

AGAWAM, MASS.

For the Year Ending December 31

1929

Agawam Public Schools

ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD

Clifford M. Granger, Chairman — Term expires March, 1932
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

Mrs. Grace B. Reed — Term expires March, 1932
Post Office Address, Agawam

Arthur Rudman — Term expires March, 1931
Post Office Address, Agawam

Thomas H. Stapleton — Term expires March, 1931
Post Office Address, Agawam

Joseph L. Roy — Term expires March, 1930
Post Office Address, Mittineague

Sidney F. Atwood, Secretary — Term expires March, 1930
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Benjamin J. Phelps
Telephone: 4-2831

OFFICE HOURS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

High School Building—School Days, 8.30-9.00 A. M., and by appointment.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1930

Winter Term—January 2 to March 28
Spring Term—April 7 to June 6, Elementary Schools
Spring Term—April 7 to June 13, Junior-Senior High School
Fall Term—September 2 to December 19

HOURS OF SESSIONS

Elementary Schools
9.00—12.00 A. M.
1.00—3.30 P. M.

Junior High School
9.00—12.00 A. M.
12.30—3.00 P. M.

Senior High School
9.00 A. M.—12.30 P. M.
1.00—3.00 P. M.

SECRETARY
Emma Mellor
Telephone 2-7176

REPORT OF

School Committee

We once more present for your consideration our annual report. The report of our Superintendent, supplemented as it is by the reports of the various supervisors, covers nearly all the field of our educational activities. As a natural result, we have only a few words for your perusal.

Last year we called to your attention the need of a more adequate playground and athletic field for our High School. With the completion of the new addition thereto we have nearly six hundred pupils in the building. In another year or two that number will have increased to seven or eight hundred. For such a large number of students we surely need more room for their various outdoor sports and games. This matter has been threshed out in several town meetings, but as yet no definite decision has been reached. We have been assured that the necessary land can now be obtained. If this is a fact, the tax payers are showing very poor economy in postponing the acquiring of the land necessary to carry out this project. We urge that favorable action be taken on this matter at the earliest possible moment.

In September we opened the new addition to our High School plant. We feel that we now have one of the finest Junior-Senior High School buildings in the State. The noticeable features of our enlarged and remodeled High School unit are as follows: first, a gymnasium for the girls and their gymnastic work; second, new rooms for Agricultural and General Science laboratories; third, additional locker space for both boys and girls; fourth, larger and better equipped rooms for Manual Training and Commercial

classes; fifth, rooms and suitable courses for mentally retarded pupils. We are confident that we can now take care of our increasing high school population for the next five years.

In our elementary school, the situation is very encouraging and we should be able to carry on there for a couple of years more without further building. Several times before we have spoken of the school needs of the River Road and South End sections of our town. We have always realized the dangerous location of the so-called South School. We feel that at a very early date that building should be closed, and a modern four room school be erected at some point convenient and accessible to the elementary school population of these and adjacent sections of the town.

For the second year in succession we have, by the strictest economy, kept our expenses within our appropriation. We always figure the various items for our budget as closely as possible. We are very sure that the taxpayers appreciate this fact, and consequently are willing to vote us any reasonable amount we may need. For the year 1930 we shall be obliged to ask for a larger appropriation than in 1929. Our enlarged High School plant was in operation only four months of the year, but in 1930 it will be running the entire school year of approximately ten months. When we opened our schools in September, we had to place on our payroll another janitor and several extra teachers to care for the additional work at the High School building. Our costs for textbooks, supplies, fuel, light and building maintenance have increased proportionately. In brief, these are the main causes necessitating a larger budget for school support in 1930.

In closing our report, we wish to thank the parents and citizens of Agawam for their cordial support in the past.

Respectfully submitted,

S. F. ATWOOD,
JOSEPH L. ROY,
GRACE B. REED,
THOS. H. STAPLETON,
ARTHUR RUDMAN,
CLIFFORD M. GRANGER.

Financial Statement of Schools

December 31, 1929

General Expense	$ 7,110.17
Salaries of Teachers, Supervisors and Principals	93,216.00
Text Books	2,883.64
Stationary, Supplies, etc.	4,411.50
Wages of Janitors	9,205.99
Fuel	7,353.75
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses	2,505.78
Repairs and Replacements	4,592.51
Libraries	127.30
Health	2,050.50
Transportation	7,234.04
Tuition	2,165.53
Miscellaneous Expenses	680.57
Outlay—New Equipment	1,199.62
Agriculture	1,262.67
Total	$145,999.57

Superintendent's Report

To the School Committee of Agawam:

Gentlemen:

My plan of procedure in writing the annual report has been to select some important aspect of school administration and, with that as a measuring device, write a brief survey of the work of the year. This year owing to the fact that some significant changes have been made in the organization of the Agawam schools, it is my purpose to write about these changes, and at the same time make some suggestions as to the future development of our school system. This report will also include statistics of school administration for the year 1928-1929, brief reports from the various teachers of special subjects, from supervisors, and the report of the High School Principal.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN THE AGAWAM SCHOOLS DURING THE PAST YEAR

The addition to the High School Building:

At the opening of the school year in September the addition to the High School was ready for occupancy. This building incorporated nine regular classrooms for daily use and the following facilities necessary to complete a modern junior-senior high school: —a girl's gymnasium with lockers and showers; a large manual training shop with improved machinery; a room for vocational agriculture; a laboratory for biology; an art room; and an opportunity room for retarded pupils of junior high school age.

All of the above mentioned rooms are in use with the exception of one classroom. The motive for constructing the addition to the High School was found in the need for a reorganization of the schools of the town. That reorganization is discussed in the next topic.

The 6-6 Program in Public School Education:

Previous to September, 1929, our school operated with various units in the elementary schools. In one part of the town, Agawam Center, there were six grades in the elementary schools. In the Plains section and at Feeding Hills, there were seven grades in the elementary schools; while in North Agawam, eight grades were enrolled. At the present time there are six grades in our elementary schools and six grades in our junior-senior high school. We have, then, two distinct and well defined parts to our school system. This is a significant change and one that will add considerable strength to the school system. At this point it may be well to designate some of the advantages of the 6-6 organization.

The elementary school consisting of six grades is universally recognized as the ideal organization. In these grades the command of the fundamental processes, such as writing, reading, arithmetic and spelling are stressed. Health, art, music and citizenship are also given a prominent place. The point to be kept in mind is that certain skills, habits and attitudes which are fundamental for future progress, not only in school but in life outside of school, are to be acquired in these six grades. The teachers, supervisors and administrators know for a certainty what is expected of them. The pupils are also aware of the goals set up for these grades. Since the problem at hand is clearly stated and defined, the solution should be made with gratifying results.

We must not, however, permit a situation to develop which would lead to a conclusion that the elementary school is divorced from the secondary school. There is a distinct break in administration and somewhat of a change in method in the work of the Junior high. In this school the pupil has six teachers instead of one. His curriculum affords him an opportunity to do work in manual

training and physical training, and there are various clubs and extra curricula activities to which he may belong. In each subject he has a teacher trained in that particular line of work. There is greater freedom of movement and he is placed somewhat upon his own responsibility. His abilities and aptitudes are carefully studied and explored. He is given vocational guidance. The normal boy and girl of seventh and eighth grade age prefer such a type of educational experience to the environment of the elementary school in which, for the most part, there are no gymnasiums, lunch rooms, manual training shops, or domestic science departments.

Our pupils have been subjected to this change for the first time this year. The break has been more abrupt than will be the case in years to come because the change involved the sixth, seventh and eighth grades. Next year only the pupils finishing the sixth grade will be affected, and they will have a very definite preparation for this new adventure in their educational experience.

Curriculum Changes:

Agawam can now satisfy the demands of the State in regard to physical training, for each boy and girl has two hours per week in a well ordered gymnasium under the supervision of expert teachers. The enlarged shower and locker equipment make it possible for every pupil to have a bath after the period of exercise. This is as it should be. The physical training department of Agawam High School is no makeshift organization, since it is set up so as to meet not only the requests of the State but also to promote a proper physical development and consequent good health.

Industrial Arts:

The improved manual training machinery and the additional room for shop work have strengthened the Industrial Arts Department. The enlarged unit can amply take care of the shop work for the agricultural department as well as the work for the boys of the special class.

Special Classes:

There are two classes for retarded pupils in our schools, both of which were organized during the past year. The class for

children of the elementary school age has been established in the North Agawam School. In this class there are fifteen children, who now have the opportunity to do work in school which is suited to their endowments and capacities. The room for this class has been outfitted with a gas stove, manual training bench, sink, and flat top tables. Whatever equipment is essential for the proper progress of the group has been provided. Whenever pupils have given evidence that in the academic work they are prepared to enter a regular grade, they are given that opportunity. Two pupils from this class have been transferred during the fall term. Miss Phyllis Irwin, the teacher in charge of this group, has taken special work in summer schools during the past two years. She has to her credit the certificates of the Hyannis Normal School and also that of the Harvard Summer School for work with special groups.

The special class in the Junior High School is new also this year. The term "special class' is hardly applicable to this group if the group is considered from the administrative point of view. The class has all of the privileges of the Junior-Senior High School, such as gymnasium, shop, domestic science, lunch room and auditorium afford. This group, during its short period of life, has made a splendid record and is a credit to the Junior-Senior High School. Whenever any pupil of the class is ready to take up the academic work of a regular grade, he is given that opportunity. Several pupils have so profited during the past term. Mrs. Marion Smith, the teacher, is particularly qualified in her experience, training and personality for this work. The town is fortunate in that it has the services of two such excellent teachers to inaugurate this new type of work in the public schools.

Vocational Agriculture:

The curriculum of the Agawam High School should reflect the interest of the citizenship of the town. To the end that the agricultural group which heretofore had not received merited attention might be given recognition, an agricultural department has recently been set up in the High School. One criticism frequently leveled at our community high schools is the charge that the school educates the children away from the farm. The prime motive in establishing the agricultural course is to give the boy who is interested in agricultural pursuits practical instruction of scientific import in agriculture, and at the same time to permit him also

to have the advantages of the cultural courses given in the high school. The old idea that farmers do not need an education is now obsolete. We know that life is something more than food and raiment and we are quite convinced that the farm boy has as much right to the "something more" as any other member of the community. Mr. Williams, in his report, has given some significant statistics in regard to the agricultural department.

LOOKING TOWARD THE FUTURE

Buildings:

The High School building will accommodate the upper six grades of the secondary school for at least five years, unless due to unforeseen circumstances there should be a large influx of pupils of secondary school age. The emphasis, then, in school building construction falls upon the elementary school. What is the situation in that school?

The consolidation of the seventh and eighth grade pupils in the new Junior-Senior High School released one room in the Feeding Hills School building. This room is available for any immediate growth in the Hills section of the town.

The place of most rapid pupil growth in our town is the Plains section, now known as West Agawam. There is one vacant classroom in the Plains School building, which room will be brought into use the coming school year. From present indications, by the end of two years, there will be a need for additional school accommodations in the Plains section.

All of the rooms in the North Agawam School building are in use, but there is no overcrowding in any room. There is a prospect that the school building will house the normal pupil increase in that part of the town for a few years.

The influx of the fourth grade pupils from the South School and Suffield Street School to the Agawam Center School has resulted in overflow rooms in the fifth and sixth grades of said school. This overflow was quite a serious housing problem at the start of the school year in September and necessitated the employ-

ment of an extra teacher. Present indications are that this overflow will continue and increase in proportion in years to come. This situation raises the question of additional school accommodations in Agawam Center. The elementary school building at the Center is in good condition, but it is not a building to which further additions can be satisfactorily made. If such were the case, I should recommend that a commodious addition be built to the Center School, and that all of the pupils in that section of the town be housed in one building. Such a procedure would make it possible to close the South School and the Suffield Street School—one room buildings. For by aid of transportation, these pupils could be transported to the Center School. I am not advocating in this case the abolition of the "little red schoolhouse" on the ground of inefficiency, for I feel certain that the work accomplished in the one room schools of Agawam is praiseworthy. The trend of modern education is to eliminate the one room school as rapidly as the town in question can conveniently do so. There are special reasons why the South School should not be used much longer; namely, the building is located in a danger zone, and the building is in the last stage of repairs.

There is another possible solution to the building problem in Agawam Center; that is, to build in the vicinity of the South End Bridge—in the Meadow Street section. A four room building in this part of the town would draw enough of the pupils from the present building at Agawam Center so that the pupils now in the rural schools could be transported to the Center. In which case, the one room schools at Suffield Street and the South End could be closed. Such a building would also solve in part measure the problem of transportation which becomes more vexatious each year.

I have presented the above facts in regard to school building construction in the light of the present growth in the pupil enrollment in the various parts of the town, and in view of the present building program in the town. In my judgment, the school enrollment in the elementary schools can be housed for at least two years with the present building accommodations.

TRANSPORTATION

The transportation of school children has made rapid strides during the last few years, not only in Massachusetts but in all

parts of the United States. Much of this growth has been due to the consolidation of schools. The gradual usurpation of the highways by the automobile has also been a contributing factor in this increase of transportation.

The Massachusetts law in regard to the distance beyond which transportation is obligatory upon a town is not definite. The practice of the State in controversial cases has been to set two miles as the school zone. The policy of the different towns of the State has been divergent from this distance. Some towns transport all the pupils living more than a mile from the school buildings; other towns transport all the elementary school children living more than a mile and a half from the buildings and such, indeed, is the policy of most of the towns in the vicinity of Agawam. Agawam at present transports all the year most of the pupils living more than two miles from the elementary schools. The pupils attending the seventh and eighth grades in the Junior High receive transportation if they live more than a mile and a half from the High School. The children of the elementary schools, during the winter months, are transported without reference to distance. It will be readily seen that this program of transportation is more or less piecemeal. Transportation in this form has persisted because the opinion has prevailed that it is less expensive, and there is no doubt but that said system of transportation is ideal for the winter months. There are one or two defects in the program which have received considerable attention in recent years. During the fall and spring months there has been a large number of absentees on stormy days from the children of families that are located at a distance from school, and in particular is this true of the children enrolled in the primary grades.

Some of the roads in Agawam Center are subjected to heavy automobile traffic—for instance, Meadow and Main Streets. Both of these thoroughfares are congested mornings and afternoons by school pupils on their way to and from school. This situation has brought numerous complaints from the passing autoists and from parents. The question of transportation thus forges to the front.

There are two salient points to be considered in any proposed change in policy of transportation. In the first place, transportation should be placed on an all year basis; that is, during the period

the schools are in session. Such a program would make it possible for the driver to consider the job of sufficient importance to warrant the purchase of proper equipment for transporting the children. Again, the distance of transportation should be firmly established.

Honest thinking leads promptly to the conclusion that in these days, under present traffic conditions, a walk of two miles to school is rather far for children of the primary grades, even in good weather. The most acceptable plan of transportation places the minimum distance of transportation for elementary school children at one mile. This plan of transportation is also the most costly, and for that reason the limit of one and one-half miles is recommended for Agawam for the fall and spring months. During the winter months, the distance of transportation for the primary children should be set at one mile. In other words, all children of elementary school age living at a distance of one and one-half miles, or at a greater distance from school should receive transportation for the entire school year. Those pupils of the first three grades living between one mile and one mile and a half should receive transportation during the months of January, February and March.

PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

Parent-Teacher Associations have grown rather rapidly in Western Massachusetts during the past five years. On several occasions the question of enlarging the scope of the Parent-Teacher Association in Agawam has been brought to the office. Since our schools have recently been organized on the 6-6 basis, the time may be opportune for forming a Parent-Teacher Association for the entire town. I favor the entire town as a unit for a Parent-Teacher Association in Agawam rather than the individual schools as separate units. With the town as a unit of organization there would naturally be two subdivisions—one for the Elementary schools, grades 1-6; and one for the Junior-Senior High school, grades 7-12. The officers for this central organization would be chosen from both parents and teachers. The meetings would be held in the High School auditorium, and there would be four meetings during the year. It would seem that with such a large central unit as a working basis, there would be a membership suf-

ficient to guarantee a worthwhile program. In case the parents and teachers of the Junior-Senior High school respond with sufficient interest, I recommend that a Parent-Teacher Association for the Junior-Senior High School as outlined above be formed during the coming school year.

HEALTH

During the year that has passed two health clinics have been launched in Agawam; namely, the toxin-antitoxin diphtheria clinic; and the Von Pirquet clinic for tuberculosis. The response of the citizens of the town to these two health measures was very near unanimous in character, so much so, indeed, that it attracted state wide recognition. The tuberculosis clinic and the diphtheria clinic are two of the best known public health insurance investments.

There is another clinic of supreme importance to school children of elementary school age. I refer to the dental clinic. This clinic is being sponsored by the Agawam Women's Club. It is hoped that the citizens of Agawam will give the same enthusiastic support to the dental clinic as was accorded to the other clinics.

CONCLUSION

It is not neessary in this concluson to enumerate the significant changes in school organization recorded in the previous pages of this report. The citizens of Agawam have sponsored these changes and their children have shown by their interest, co-operation and progress that they too appreciate the educational opportunity afforded by the Town of Agawam. Such wholehearted support and co-operation of all concerned with the welfare of the schools has made possible the accomplishments of the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

B. J. PHELPS,

Superintendent of Schools

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE PRESENT SCHOOL YEAR

September 3—December 20, 1929

	Total Membership	Average Membership	Average Daily Attendance	Per cent Attendance	Tardiness
High School					
Senior High III	26	25.82	24.26	93.17	12
Senior High II	65	64.54	62.08	96.16	19
Senior High I	81	78.27	75.08	95.90	41
Junior High III	113	108.85	105.08	96.54	57
Junior High VIII-5	30	29.01	27.97	96.41	15
Junior High VIII-4	30	28.88	27.43	95.79	6
Junior High VIII-3	32	29.74	28.58	96.1	2
Junior High VIII-2	33	30.88	29.92	99.19	6
Junior High VIII-1	31	30.95	30.19	97.54	10
Junior High VII-4	35	30.48	28.36	93.04	6
Junior High VII-3	35	34.77	33.51	96.38	2
Junior High VII-2	35	34.64	33.19	95.81	8
Junior High VII-1	32	30.90	29.79	96.41	5
Junior High-Spec. Class	22	18.83	17.56	93.25	12
North Agawam School					
Grade VI	28	26.87	26.04	96.91	3
Grades V-VI	34	31.47	30.63	97.33	2
Grade V	39	38.77	37.97	97.94	4
Grade IV	36	33.96	32.86	96.76	15
Grades III-IV	34	32.03	30.97	96.71	10
Grades III	35	31.96	31.11	97.34	9
Grade II	39	35.09	35.07	99.94	0
Grade I	32	31.59	30.62	96.93	14
Grade I	32	29.67	27.84	93.83	13
Special Class	17	14.52	14.02	96.55	20
Agawam Center School					
Grade VI-A	43	42.05	40.44	96.16	36
Grade VI-B	16	16	15.2	95.01	9
Grade V	35	34.89	33.53	96.10	14

Grades IV-V	30	28.32	26.08	92.09	24
Grade IV	36	34.44	32.66	94.86	27
Grade III	35	33.25	31.28	94.07	11
Grade II	45	40.61	38.43	94.63	35
Grade I	43	37.91	34.36	90.63	23
Springfield St. School					
Grade VI	41	38.93	37.93	97.43	9
Grade V	42	40.90	39.69	97.04	9
Grade IV	44	41.14	39.68	96.45	6
Grade III	39	37.41	36.34	97.14	6
Grades II-III	34	29.92	29.05	97.09	8
Grade II	40	36.07	34.23	94.90	22
Grade I	48	44.47	42.45	95.46	10
Grade I	12	11.95	11.27	94.37	8
Feeding Hills School					
Grade VI	28	27.68	26.78	96.75	2
Grades IV-V	42	41.16	39.24	95.34	2
Grades II-III	40	38.8	36.89	95.08	11
Grades I-II	28	27.22	25.54	93.83	12
South School					
Grades I-II-III	35	32.87	29.14	88.65	6
Suffield St. School					
Grades I-II-III	22	21.50	19.86	92.37	2
West St. School					
Grades I-II-III-IV	29	28.28	26.82	94.83	1

Total Membership for Town	1733
Average Membership for Town	1648.26
Average Daily Attendance for Town	1577.02
Per cent Attendance for Town	95.67
Tardiness for Town	584
Total Membership January 1, 1929	1689
Increase over last year	44

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Mr. Phelps:

In appraising the past years work in the high school I find conditions analagous in most respects to those of the preceding year.

IDEALS MAINTAINED

I wish to say at the beginning that members of the faculty have been loyal to their trust, ever willing to assist with extra activities, and constantly alert to progress. It is my opinion that to duplicate the artistry of teaching that now generally prevails in this school would be an extremely difficult task. Although, of course, there are various methods of instruction used, I am sure there is a maintained equality of opportunity for the students throughout the curriculum. I also believe that we have in the faculty a concerted agreement that the chief function of teacher and textbook is to create appealing siuations—connecting with the pupils interests in such a vital way that the drudgery of mastering the technique of a subject is overshadowed by the attractiveness of the goal. The main concern in the school continues to be to prepare our students, so far as we can, to meet the needs of actual life and to bring about a harmonious adjustment between the individual student and society as it exists to-day. The general objections arranged in the order of their importance are as follows: physical welfare, social adjustment, intellectual understanding, aesthetic appreciation and creativeness, and vocational skill.

ABILITY GROUPING

We have been moderately successful in grouping the different sections of the 7th and 8th grades according to the ability of the pupils. A study of the chronological age—grade distribution shows that the per cent of advanced students in the different sections arranged in the order of superiority are as follows; for the 7th grades, 17.5%, 12%, 8.5%, 6%, and for the 8th grades, 35.5%, 28%, 13%, 13%, 0%. The assignments of work and classroom procedure in these classes are influenced by this obvious differentiation.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Having another gymnasium and supervisor of physical education for the girls, it is now our policy to schedule two classes together. That is the boys and girls of a particular group have physical training at the same period—thus economizing on time and supervision. I am happy to say that the training in the gymnasium does not terminate with the physical training period but is carried into the classroom in posture, carriage, and first-aid instruction. Our varsity athletic teams have enjoyed another successful year, winning the basketball championship last winter, baseball championship during the spring term and finally capturing first honors in football this fall. Such results speak well for the coaching and the earnest subordination of each player for the betterment of the team.

AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT

The agricultural Department, although still in its infancy, is already being ranked with the best in the state. This early recognition has been due to the generosity and good judgment of the building committee together with the expert guidance of Mr. Moseley and the state supervisors. There are now 22 boys in the department busily engaged with their chosen projects, the required survey work and shop practice which includes both manual training and automotive repairing. Plato when he said "All the useful arts are degrading," had no conception of the benefits derived from a modern school system. I wish to add my word of praise to that already given to Elbert Jenks for his meritorious achievements in agriculture. His success has rightly been given state-wide acknowledgment.

ASSEMBLY PROGRAMS

We have been fortunate during the last year in securing excellent speakers for our assembly programs. These addresses have added variety, which is indeed an elemental ingredient for continued interest, as well as bringing to the student body the stimulation of new points of view. Scattered throughout the year the students have participated in special assembly programs. The training and experience involved I consider of great value to participants and I hope for more activity along this line. Our moving picture projector has enabled us to present the unique series of pictures known as the American Chronicles. Each month is scheduled a different episode in American History. Needless to say their educational merit is outstanding. On alternate Fridays the Junior High School benefits from a special assembly program presented by Walter Damrosch through the medium of the radio.

GUIDANCE PROGRAM

Endeavoring to give intelligent guidance to students concerning advanced schools and the vocations, we are now using an orientation card which has been localized to fit this community. Each year every member of the Freshman class will be interviewed by the dean of girls or the principal, at which time the students can ask questions and also help in filling out our office record card. I am still skeptical about certain aspects of vocational guidance, especially testing for aptitudes, but sincerely believe in this personal conference plan.

ALUMNI

This year I hope to strengthen the alumni organization by putting them in closer contact with the aims and activities of the school, and also by keeping on file a record of each graduate's activities since leaving the high school. This system will enable us to make recommendations when required and also to arrange for at least a few placements. The alumni survey to date is not complete but some interesting facts are already available. Of the 137 who have graduated from the school beginning in 1924; 47 are working in offices, 26 are in colleges, 20 are working in shops or stores, 15 are married, 9 are attending normal school, 7 are teaching, 5 are nurses and 8 are not yet recorded.

GREATEST PRESENT NEED

Very likely our greatest need for reorganization is in the domestic science department. This is due primarily, to the fact that one teacher cannot satisfactorily manage the cafeteria, which furnishes lunches for about 600 people daily, and also teach all the domestic science and sewing classes in both junior and senior high school. It is now being maintained and I think rightly, that girls should have opportunity to study household arts instead of, or at least as well as, subjects like Algebra and Latin. It seems to me it is fully as important for a girl to understand the chemical, bacteriological, and physiological principles which are involved in the kitchen, and something of the care and nurture of children, as to understand the theorem of Pythagoras. In another year I hope it will be feasible to have an assistant in this department making possible additional courses so that every girl will have the opportunity to elect this most essential training.

In speaking of certain things I do not wish to give the impression that there are not others worthy of comment, but space allows for a limited number.

In closing I wish to give my commendation to those responsible for the success of the Student Council, Leaders Club and various subject clubs—also for the presentation of "The Patsy", "Pepita", "Christmas Carol" and other plays. In my opinion such achievements reflect the true tempo of the school.

Once again let me assure you that this has been another pleasant and satisfying year under your altruistic leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

F. EARL WILLIAMS,

Principal.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DOCTOR

To the School Committee of Agawam:

Gentlemen: I hereby submit to you my report, as School physician, for the year ending December 31, 1929.

Just before the beginning of the year, two cases of diphtheria were reported near Feeding Hills Center. It was decided to inspect the schools daily, and try if possible to prevent the development of new cases.

Throats were examined. Temperatures were taken. All suspicious cases were sent home, and kept under observation.

January 2, 3, 4, 7 and 8, every pupil attending was examined, at Agawam Center and South school.

In February it was necessary to remove from Feeding Hills Center School two cases that had not secured two negative diphtheria tests. The same school was visited in March.

At Springfield Street School on June 12th a vaccination clinic was held. Forty children were vaccinated.

During the summer two clinics for vaccination were held in Agawam Center School. Only twelve were vaccinated.

As soon as possible after school began in the fall, and the new High School building's use established, physical examinations began for the current school year. Between September 23 and November 8, every pupil in the eight Agawam Schools was examined. The examinations included scalp, skull, skin, teeth, tonsils, throat, heart, lungs, extremities, general appearance and posture. It was a definite aid to all concerned to have the examinations finished early in the year.

October 28:	
West Street, vaccinated	1
Feeding Hills, vaccinated	14
Springfield Street, vaccinated	8

October 29:	
North Agawam, vaccinated	32
Agawam Center, vaccinated	7
Suffield Street, vaccinated	2
October 30:	
South School, vaccinated	5
November 4:	
South School, vaccinated	3

On this date I visited Agawam Center School, North Agawam School and Springfield Street School.

Scarlet fever and diphtheria were too frequently encountered during the year. They were the outstanding diseases of the year. Bad teeth and tonsils were altogether too common. It was a pleasure to see the marked benefits shown by the many pupils who followed advice and had those structures properly cared for. Only very rarely did I see a pair of tonsils in a healthy state, that was formerly reported diseased. It is a pleasure to examine the upper grade pupils in the High School, after seeing the children of the lower grades. One is gratified with the excellent results of the system of physical examinations and nursing, provided by your committee.

During the spring your physician had the pleasure of assisting in the toxin-antitoxin clinics. Over seven hundred children were treated. In my opinion, this was a very wise procedure, and will lower the incidence of diphtheria in Agawam.

I therefore recommend that your committee establish a yearly toxin-antitoxin clinic, and take care of the small number of pupils that will enter school each fall. I offer my services for such clinics without fee. It will lower the number of diphtheria cases, lower the death rate among children, lower the number of days absent from school, and increase the efficiency of every one concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

I. I. CHAMBERLIN, M.D.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

JANUARY 1929 to JANUARY 1930

Number of Schools visited	8
Number of Visits to School	958
Number of Visits to Homes	489
Number of Treatments in Schools	1139
Number of Pupils inspected	4763
Number of Pupils taken to Oculist and Physician	24
Number of cases of Scarlet Fever	22
Number of cases of Whooping Cough	12
Number of cases of Chicken Pox	15
Number of cases of Diphtheria	5
Number of cases of Measles	100
Number of cases of Pediculosis	30
Number of Tonsils and Adenoids	603
Number of Defective Teeth	550
Number of Glands	130
Number of Rapid Cardiac cases	10
Number of Orthopedic cases	8
Number of cases of Slight Goiter	6

2 children were taken to the Shriners Hospital for repair of Braces.

5 children were taken to the Westfield Sanatorium for X-Rays. All were negative.

716 children were given the Toxin-antitoxin protective treatment for diphtheria in May.

Pupils were measured in October and March; and weighed in October, December, January, and May.

My sincere appreciation to the parents, Superintendent, principals, and teachers for their courtesy and cooperation.

Respectfully Submitted,

MARY LOUISE BLACK.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Number of calls at homes for the school	531
Number of calls at the schools	532
Number of calls at homes and places of employment to see about certificates	40
Number of truants	41
Number of investigations for other cities and towns	18

Have had one court case during the year.

The town has one boy in the Hampden County Training School.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL O. CESAN

ART

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

Last year the Art Course of Study was brought to a fixed standard. This year the same course has been pursued. Each grade teacher now has her course of study in typewritten booklet form, illustrated, and enriched by notes on correlation, class-room decoration, and other art subjects of help to the grade teacher. The subject matter in this Elementary Course of Study is taken from the best obtainable in art work in leading centers throughout the country together with successful projects worked out and adapted to Agawam. Changes and revisions are to be made, of course, from time to time, to keep up with new ideas and progressive methods.

The Junior and Senior High Art Courses were more firmly established this year, due to the addition of a fine new art room and more of the supervisor's time being spent in the high school. At present, exactly one half of her work is in the grades, and one half in the high school. Three-fourths of her time could be advantageously spent with the older pupils without great loss to the lower grades.

Courses in Junior High School are: Art Appreciation, required by the 7th grade to serve as a preparation for later art work in Senior High, and as a cultural aid in development of good taste; and Elementary Design, elective in the 8th grade to enable the pupils to recognize and adapt the many sources of beauty to specific, everyday problems.

Drawing and Painting, and Commercial Design are the two courses offered in the Senior High School, and are planned to ac-

quaint the pupils with the various mediums and technicalities of artistic expression. Each one of the four courses named above is complete in itself for the pupil who can only take one year of Art; and taken in four or more consecutive years, give a complete and thorough preparation for the talented student who plans to continue in an art school, or take up art for pure enjoyment.

The art department has been able to correlate more than ever before with other subjects this year: Several illustrative and decorative cuts have been made for the Agawam Mirror in the English Department; notebook covers for the Social Sciences; posters for Health and Posture. A very successful poster contest was held advertising the musical presentation "Pepita", with prizes offered by the Music Department. Many attractive projects in handicrafts have been worked out in the Special 7th division, under Mrs. Smith's direction. Bags of woven yarns, Christmas cards hand printed from wood-blocks, and paper knives and bowls of copper were all worked out from designs and patterns made by them during drawing periods.

A Society of Arts and Crafts has been formed by the Senior High girls for the pursuing of their artistic hobbies outside of school hours. The Society meets twice a month and the meetings are given over to working on some handicraft, attending exhibits or lectures, sketching out of doors, or assisting some school activity.

Several oil paintings have been loaned to the high school by the Circulating Picture Club of the Springfield Art League, in which the school has membership. These paintings are changed every month, being hung in the auditorium, and have been much enjoyed by the faculty and students.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY M. CROWLEY,

Supervisor of Art.

MUSIC

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

It gives me great pleasure to submit for your approval a resume of the work accomplished the past year in the music department of the Agawam Public Schools.

The rapid growth of the school system, and in particular the consolidation of the Junior High School, necessitated a change in the schedule of the Supervisor. Each of the primary grades are now visited once in two weeks and each of the rural schools once in three weeks.

The Weaver method of teaching music has been in operation for several years and thoroughly established, so that the course has run very smoothly this year. Monthly outlines show the teachers just how much work should be accomplished, and guide the new teacher in this particular system. It would seem as if the class teacher, supplied with a carefully outlined course of study and assisted at any critical point by the Supervisor, could do the best work for her particular girls and boys. Therefore, the Supervisor earnestly recommends that she supervise more and teach less.

Each building is now equipped with victrola records for a definite course in music appreciation through the first four grades. Next year it is hoped to extend the course to the fifth grades and ultimately to have no breaks from the first to the eighth grade.

The Junior High classes are continuing their excellent course under Walter Damrosch—the seventh grades listening to Series A and the eighth grades to Series B. At these concerts each child is given a questionnaire to fill in as he listens, so that he will have a guide to the more important points in the lesson.

Junior High music has fared better this year than for several years past since nearly every class has its music lesson separately instead of in a large chorus. This is made possible by the change in schedule of the Supervisor and the teaching assistance of Miss Deely.

Music in the Senior High consists of the Orchestra and a Mixed Chorus. This latter has made a very fine start. It takes the place of the Girls' Chorus of former years. The orchestra is probably on a better educational basis than ever before. The members are studying some of the standard orchestral works, and a prize has been offered to the one making the greatest improvement this year.

The Music Department has been well represented at numerous public performances and special assemblies. Perhaps the most notable of these have been the play and operetta at Agawam Center, Patriotic programs and Christmas Carols in all the schools, and the Annual High School Musical Comedy, "Pepita".

In closing, I wish to mention the excellent spirit of cooperation which is manifest by the Superintendent, principals, and teachers. It is a strong factor in the success of music education.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH A. PERRY,

Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF THE DOMESTIC SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Mr. Phelps:

My work with the girls of the domestic science classes has been most interesting and encouraging. The many reports from the girls and their mothers of the work being done at home in the varied phases of Home Economics leads me to watch with enthusiasm the class work.

The study of food means a knowledge of many things. In fact, more than the time allotment for class work allows. During the year several class periods are used to teach the girls facts about food other than the actual preparation and making of certain recipes. It is hoped that by these lessons the girls may gain sufficient knowledge of correct food combinations to make them watch their own diet with interest.

Table setting, table etiquette, and serving of food also help to make up interesting lessons in this course.

In February, the second year cooking class invited the entire faculty to a Valentine Tea which was held in the sewing room. Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Phelps poured while Ruth Skinner acted as hostess for her class. Dainty sandwiches and cookies, prepared by the class, were served by the girls.

In June the annual exhibit was prepared and placed in the Domestic Science room.

SEWING

With the increased number of pupils both the sewing and cooking rooms are crowded to their capacity on certain days. In

sewing classes this proves to be a handicap at times when many are waiting to stitch on the machines. One or two more machines would be a great help, although the work is planned to keep all students as busy as possible.

Whenever it seems advisable, permission is given for home work. Therefore, girls who show above average ability in the work are not kept back by those who work somewhat slower. For these girls, extra projects are planned in order that they may not lose their interest and enthusiasm.

Last spring, orange and brown felt letters were cut and stitched in the sewing department for the girls' basket ball team.

The exhibition of sewing work was also held in June.

HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH ROOM REPORT

CASH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1928-1929

Receipts	
Stock on hand Sept., 1928	$ 38.85
Cash on hand Sept., 1928	135.37
Receipts (Sept., 1928—June, 1929)	5,288.59
	$5,462.81
Expenditures	
Salaries	$1,137.72
Food	3,942.45
Supplies	137.01
Stock on hand June, 1929	71.97
Cash on hand June, 1929	173.66
	$5,462.81

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL C. ALDRICH.

INDUSTRIAL ARTS DEPARTMENT

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

My dear Mr. Phelps:

I present herewith a report of the activities in the Industrial Arts Department during the past year.

You will note the change of name from "Manual Training Department" to "Industrial Arts Department". It is generally conceded that the former designation, (now obsolete in most educational systems,) is misleading in that it appears to pertain to the training of the hands alone. In reality, the aim of the course is to develop the brain through use of the hands. Accordingly, the latter is more in keeping with the true spirit of the department.

The enrollment in the classes was very large last year, so large, in fact, that it was found necessary to draft an instructor from another department to devote part of his time to the elementary classes in woodworking.

The Junior High School classes were carried on quite the same as in previous years. A project which presented opportunities for the teaching of the basic shop operations was chosen by the instructor. The project was used as a medium through which the boys were instructed as to the proper use of hand tools and allied shop accessories.

The freshmen boys designed and constructed costumers. This group were taught the proper method of operating the shop machinery and were allowed to use it in the building of their projects.

Senior High classes worked on school equipment almost entirely. They constructed benches, cupboards, key racks, bulletin

boards and innumerable other articles for use in the new rooms.

The department is very grateful to the members of the committee who supervised the building and equipping of the "addition". Due to their thoughtfulness, the shop and equipment is second to none of its type in this vicinity. It is hoped that the quality of the finished products typifies the splendid working conditions.

The traditional exhibition was held in June.

Respectfully,

FREDERICK T. DACEY.

PHYSICAL TRAINING DEPARTMENT

To the Superintendent of Schools:

I present herewith for your consideration the annual report of the Department of Physical Education.

With the start of a new school year in September a radical change occurred in the organization and personnel of the department. Due to the rapid growth of the school and the realization of added facilities, it became necessary and possible for the School Committee to appoint a separate instructor and coach for the girls. Needless to say this was a very satisfactory adjustment, and one that is bound to provide a greater field of activity in the program for both girls and boys. This also made it possible for Miss Edgell to supervise the work in the grade schools, which has heretofore been impossible because of the heavy schedule of the Physical Training Department.

Following the usual physical examinations the students were scheduled for two periods of Physical Education per week, thus meeting the State requirement.

Now the question: What should a program of Physical or Health Education cover? It should cover such features as are conducive to the attaining of the following:

(a) Body control and growth
(b) Character and sportsmanship
(c) Posture
(d) Utilizing the instinct of play
(e) Providing activity for future leisure occupation

The general features of a program for the attaining of the above objectives are marching, calisthenics, apparatus work, sports and games (specialized and mass). During the fall and spring months the program was carried on out of doors as long as the

weather permitted. Sports in season were featured and this out door work made up one of the most satisfactory features of the program.

Both the boys and the girls had representative teams which took part in interscholastic contests. The girls were exceptionally well represented by strong teams in field hockey and basket ball. The boys' teams were again members of the Twin State Interscholastic Conference, a league made up for the most part of neighboring high schools. During the past year they won consecutive championships in football, basketball and baseball—setting a record for the league.

While it is necessary to put some emphasis on the training of winning teams, there is danger of over emphasizing the value of winning. If a game is worth playing it is worth winning, but not to the extent of jeopardizing health and scholastic standing. Our idea is that interscholastic athletics, properly supervised, foster school spirit and have a definite place in the school curriculum.

We are not so vitally concerned with the idea of developing physical perfection in a few individuals, or creating super-athletes, but rather in the idea of conserving the health and bodily strength of the children of the community. In keeping with this idea a program has been offered which every boy and girl, regardless of his or her physical differences, can take part in and enjoy.

Respectfully submitted,

HARMON A. SMITH,

Supervisor Physical Education.

TEACHERS' APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS—1929

APPOINTMENTS

Name	Subject or Grade	School	Began Service
Marian A. Edgell	Physical Training	High	Sept., 1929
Louis H. Moseley	Agriculture	High	Sept., 1929
Robert H. S. Mark	Science	Junior High	Sept., 1929
Hazelle J. Merrill	Social Science	Junior High	Sept., 1929
Dorothy E. Smith	English	Junior High	Sept., 1929
Mrs. Marion C. Smith	Special Class	Junior High	Sept., 1929
Jean Carman	V	Agawam Center	Sept., 1929
A. Marion Loomis	III	Agawam Center	Sept., 1929
Alice B. Connolly	II	North Agawam	Dec., 1929
Ruth M. Cassidy	II-III	Springfield St.	Sept., 1929
Helen E. Talmadge	II	Springfield St.	Sept., 1929

RESIGNATIONS

			Service Ended
Musa B. Richardson	V	Agawam Center	Mar., 1929
Dorothy L. Hooker	III	Agawam Center	June, 1929
Mrs. M. Carmeleta Dillman	IV-V	North Agawam	June, 1929
Ruth E. Manchester	V-VI	Feeding Hills	June, 1929
Letitia E. Redden	II-III	Springfield St.	June, 1929

TRANSFERS

	From	To	Date
Annette E. Deely	VIII, No. Agawam	Jr. High, History	Sept., 1929
Emily M. McCormick	VII, Springfield St.	Jr. High, Mathematics	Sept., 1929
Phyllis B. Irwin	II, Springfield St.	No. Agawam, Special Class	Sept., 1929

DECEASED

Mildred C. Pease	II, North Agawam	Nov. 1, 1929

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT

DECEMBER 31, 1929

	Subject or Grade	Education	Began Service in Agawam
SUPERINTENDENT			
Benjamin J. Phelps		Yale College, B. A. Teachers' College, M. A.	July, 1922
SUPERVISORS			
Mary M. Crowley	Art	Mass. Normal Art School B. S.	Sept., 1926
Ruth A. Perry	Music	Keene Normal School Montpelier Seminary	Sept., 1926
HIGH SCHOOL			
F. Earl Williams	Principal	Mass. Agricultural College B. S.	Sept., 1927
Mrs. Hazel C. Aldrich	Domestic Science	Skidmore College of Arts	Sept., 1922
Frederick T. Dacey	Manual Training	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1922
Marian A. Edgell	Physical Training & Coach of Girls' Athletics	Boston School of Physical Education	Sept., 1929
Harmon A. Smith	Physical Training & Coach of Boys' Athletics	Y. M. C. A. College	Sept., 1924
Louis H. Moseley	Agriculture	Mass. Agricultural College	Sept., 1929
Elizabeth E. Baker	Sr. Commercial	University of New Hampshire B. A.	Sept., 1926
Nellie I. Button	Sr. English	Middlebury College M. A.	Sept., 1922

Allan M. Hadley	Sr. Science	Clark University, B. A.	Sept., 1927
Erika C. Jauch	Sr. French	Smith College B. A.	Sept., 1923
Dorothy H. Lilly	Sr. English	Smith College B. A.	Sept., 1928
Clara L. McIntire	Sr. Commercial	Bay Path Institute Northeastern Univ. B. A.	Sept., 1922
Eleanor B. Miller	Sr. Latin and Math.	Smith College B. A.	Sept., 1928
Katharine M. Phealan	Sr. Eng. and Hist.	Smith College B. A.	Sept., 1927
John M. Quirk	Sr. Science	Middlebury College B. A.	Jan., 1923
Eleanor H. Smith	Sr. Mathematics	Smith College B. A. Teachers' College M. A.	Sept., 1922
Marjorie Ward	Sr. History	Smith College B. A. Teachers' College M. A.	Sept., 1922
Cora M. Barnes	Jr. History	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1922
Annette E. Deely	Jr. History	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1921
Mae P. Lynch	Jr. Mathematics	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1919
Robert H. S. Mark	Jr. Science	Middlebury College B. S.	Sept., 1929
Emily M. McCormick	Jr. Mathematics	Westfield Normal Bay Path Institute	Sept., 1924
Hazelle J. Merrill	Jr. Social Science	Farmington Normal	Sept., 1929
Mrs. Viola W. Phillips	Jr. English	New Britain Normal	April, 1920
Catherine T. Powers	Jr. Social Science	Springfield Commercial Westfield Normal	Sept., 1917
Dorothy E. Smith	Jr. English	Wheaton College, B. A.	Sept., 1929
Mrs. Marion C. Smith	Special Class	Providence Normal	Sept., 1929

AGAWAM CENTER SCHOOL

Mary E. McDowell	Principal	Eastern State Normal	Sept., 1926
Gladys E. Goodwin	Grade VI	Farmington Normal	Sept., 1926
Mrs. Ruth Anderson	VI	Gorham Normal	Sept., 1929
Jean Carman	V	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1929
Nora M. Chandler	Grades IV-V	Farmington Normal	Sept., 1927
Eleanor Sutcliffe	IV	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1928
A. Marion Loomis	III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1929
Ida J. Hubbell	Grade II	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1924
Jessica Dickinson	Grade I	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926

NORTH AGAWAM SCHOOL

Katherine G. Danahy	Principal	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1899
Eleanor C. Daly	VI	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1923
Grace M. Connell	Grades V-VI	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926
Kathryn M. Roache	Grade V	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1922
Alice McKeown	Grade IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1923
Anna M. Connors	Grades III-IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928
Olive A. Fox	Grade III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1914
Alice B. Connolly	II	Fitchburg Normal	Dec., 1929
Julia A. O'Connell	Grade I	Spfld. Kindergarten	April, 1927
Jennie M. Lucas	Grade I	Southington Training	Sept., 1900
Phyllis B. Irwin	Special Class	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926

SPRINGFIELD ST. SCHOOL			
Faolin M. Peirce	Principal	Springfield Normal	Sept., 1909
Mrs. Mildred T. Clark	Grade I	Higgins Classical Inst.	April, 1922
Helen E. Talmadge	II	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1929
Ruth M. Cassidy	II-III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1929
Elizabeth C. McCormick	Grade III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1927
Cora Y. Desmarais	Grade IV	New Haven State Normal	Sept., 1927
Dorothy M. Emerson	Grade V	Univ. of Vermont Training Class	Sept., 1925
Viva M. Potter	Grade VI	Barton Teachers Training Course	Sept., 1925
FEEDING HILLS SCHOOL			
Helyne D. Mousley	Principal and Grade VI	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1923
Mary E. Spelman	Grades IV-V	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928
Ruth M. Ripley	Grades II-III	Castine Normal	Sept., 1925
Geraldine Gosse	Grades I-II	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928
SOUTH SCHOOL			
Merriam S. Weeks	Grades I-II-III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926
SUFFIELD ST. SCHOOL			
Cecily C. Pratt	Grades I-II-III	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1928
WEST ST. SCHOOL			
Lora M. Bettinger	Grades I-II-III-IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928

Articles in Warrant

ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 8, 1930

Article 1. To choose two or more Fence Viewers and two or more Field Drivers.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

Article 3. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day and provide for its expenditure.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the payment of a proper charge of an Insurance Company for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Article 6 To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for liability insurance of its employees.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to investigate and recommend to the Town what action should be taken regarding a town forest.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $400 to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, to be expended for the agricultural and home economics extension service in this county and town, in accordance with the provisions of sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend its zoning by-laws adopted April 6, 1928 as amended by changing a certain parcel of land described as follows, from residence A district to business. Beginning at a point in the Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane thirteen hundred sixty-seven (1367) feet Northwesterly from a point in said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane opposite the Northwesterly line of Silver Street; and running thence Southwesterly at right angles with said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane two hundred (200) feet; running thence Northwesterly, in a line parallel with said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane two hundred (200) feet; running thence Northeasterly at right angles with said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane two hundred (200) feet and running thence Southeasterly in said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane two hundred (200) feet to the point of beginning.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one thousand ($1,000) dollars for the celebration of the 75th anniversary of the incorporation of the Town.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money to be used for the establishment and construction of sidewalks and curbing on any of the streets of the Town.

Article 12. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for electric lights in Line Street.

Article 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for reimbursement of F. W. Randall for labor in North Cemetery in 1928.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars to be raised by taxation for continuation of pavement on School Street, and to provide for the overdraft of $214.60 during 1929 on said street.

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars provided the State and County will each appropriate a like sum, for the rebuilding of any street in town,

with stone, block, brick or other pavement of similar lasting character and provide for raising said sum, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the care of North Cemetery.

Article 17. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of six hundred and thirty seven dollars to cover a deficit in Interest Department for 1929.

Article 18. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year beginning January 1, 1930, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the Town.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money to provide equipment and supplies for establishing a dental clinic.

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars to complete the construction of Silver Street through to Shoemaker Lane.

Article 21. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year.

Article 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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Annual Report

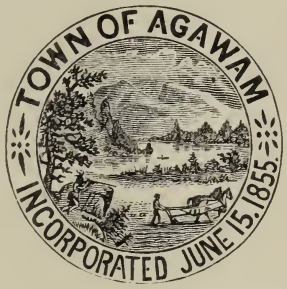
of

Town Officers

of the

Town of Agawam

Massachusetts



For the Year Ending December 31

1930

Town Officers 1929-1930

Selectmen, Public Welfare and Board of Health

EDWIN L. TALMADGE GILES W. HALLADAY
JOHN L. BURKE

Town Clerk and Treasurer

HENRY E. BODURTHA

Collector

HOWARD W. POND

School Committee

CLIFFORD M. GRANGER.....Term expires 1932
GRACE B. REED.....Term expires 1932
J. LEO ROY.....Term expires 1933
SIDNEY F. ATWOOD.....Term expires 1933
ARTHUR RUDMAN.....Term expires 1931
THOMAS H. STAPLETON.....Term expires 1931

Assessors

ADOLPHUS PROVOST.....Term expires 1932
PAUL B. JOHNSON.....Term expires 1931
CLARENCE H. GRANGER.....Term expires 1933

Auditor

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD

Library Trustees

ANNA H. RUDMAN.....Term expires 1931
ALICE B. GRANGER.....Term expires 1932
IDA BERNATCHEZ.....Term expires 1933

Water Commissioners

Walter S. Kerr.....Term expires 1932
Dennis M. Crowley.....Term expires 1931
Dudley K. Bodurtha.....Term expires 1933

Cemetery Commissioners

Alvin R. Kellogg.....Term expires 1933
Elbert L. Campbell.....Term expires 1932
Dwight E. Bailey.....Term expires 1931

Trustees of Whiting Street Fund

Judson G. Blackman.....Term expires 1931
Fremont H. King.....Term expires 1932

Tree Warden

Frank W. Randall

Constables

Moise V. Bessette
Warren C. Bodurtha
Daniel O. Cesan
John R. Daley
Earl E. Dickinson
William A. Duclos
Alvin R. Kellogg
Charles M. Robinson
Charles H. Wyman
Perley J. Hewey

Surveyors of Lumber

Edward J. Gosselin
Charles W. Hull
Fremont H. King
Nelson G. King

Measurers of Wood

Willard C. Crouss
Charles W. Hull
Alvin R. Kellogg
Nelson G. King

Public Weighers

Phillip B. Barry
Prentiss Jenks
Bertley R. Jenks
Harvey E. Porter
Frank Whittaker

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Edwin U. Leonard

Chief of Police
PERLEY J. HEWEY

Registrars of Voters
PHILLIP B. BARRY — PHILIP W. HASTINGS
CHARLES W. HULL — HENRY E. BODURTHA

Inspector of Animals
JAMES H. CLARK

Inspector of Meats
DWIGHT E. BAILEY

Fire Engineers
FRANK T. GOSS — EDWARD J. GOSSELIN
JAMES W. SHEA

Foreman of Highway Work
JUDSON G. BLACKMAN

Fence Viewers
DWIGHT E. BAILEY — THOMAS A. KERR

Field Drivers
WILLIAM S. HALLADAY — FRANKIE H. CAMPBELL

Burial Agent
EDWIN B. SPRING

Town Counsel
WENDELL G. BROWNSON

Town Clerk's Report

TOWN ELECTION, MARCH 3, 1930

	Precinct			
	A	*B*	*C*	*Total*
Number of ballots cast	580	450	647	1677

RESULT OF COUNT OF BALLOTS

For Selectmen, Board of Welfare and Board of Health:				
John L. Burke	218	105	390	713
William E. Cross	108	134	309	551
Charles J. Feriole	127	14	27	168
James F. Kirby	240	71	126	437
Giles W. Halladay	134	249	327	710
Ernest A. Lepore	155	177	94	246
Edwin L. Talmadge	286	247	276	809
Blanks	472	353	392	1217
For Town Clerk and Treasurer:				
Henry E. Bodurtha	260	238	454	952
Blanks	320	212	193	725
For Collector:				
Howard W. Pond	289	288	507	1084
Fred A. Raison			1	1
Warren C. Bodurtha			1	1
John Daley			1	1
Blanks	291	162	137	590

	Precinct			
	A	*B*	*C*	*Total*
Assessor for three years:				
Clarence H. Granger	270	312	471	1053
John A. Warner			3	3
Blanks	310	138	173	621
School Committee for three years:				
Sidney F. Atwood	175	270	369	814
Harry R. Jones	185	184	291	660
J. Leo Roy	281	166	272	719
Blanks	519	280	362	1161
Water Commissioner for three years:				
Dudley K. Bodurtha	174	224	336	734
John L. Burke	243	124	260	627
Blanks	163	102	51	316
Auditor:				
Leafie N. Maynard	273	251	458	982
Blanks	307	199	189	695
Tree Warden:				
Frank W. Randall	259	295	483	1037
John L. Burke			1	1
Blanks	321	155	163	639
Library Trustee for three years:				
Ida Bernatchez	283	236	429	948
Blanks	297	214	218	729
Trustee of Whiting Street Fund for two years:				
Edward J. Desmarais	248	87	89	424
Fremont H. King	110	222	430	762
Blanks	222	141	128	491
Cemetery Commissioner for three years:				
Alvin R. Kellogg	139	255	392	786
William D. Rising	171	89	94	354
Blanks	260	106	161	527

	Precinct			
	A	*B*	*C*	*Total*
Constables:				
Virgili Ardizoni	235	61	46	342
Charles A. Barden	100	81	301	482
Moise V. Bessette	277	154	259	690
Warren C. Bodurtha	130	201	469	800
Percy Campion	114	45	63	222
Daniel O. Cesan	118	199	352	669
James F. Cleary	159	181	118	458
John Daley	155	66	299	520
Thomas Daley	172	56	111	339
Jasper DeForge	260	91	143	494
William DeForge	224	65	115	404
Earl E. Dickinson	88	162	378	628
William A. Duclos	228	180	265	673
Cornelius F. Galvin	99	37	50	186
Clark B. Jones	116	155	382	653
Alvin R. Kellogg	130	253	313	696
Leo F. Risley	98	112	298	508
Charles M. Robinson	84	139	311	534
Charles H. Wyman	128	221	291	640
John L. Burke			1	1
T. Kerr			1	1
E. A. Lepore			1	1
Blanks	2865	2041	1903	6809
Moderator:				
Clarence H. Granger	145	265	402	812
Thomas H. Stapleton	206	59	104	369
Blanks	229	126	141	496

Annual Town Meeting

MARCH 8, 1930

Annual Town Meeting assembled in the Assembly Hall of the High School at one o'clock P. M. according to call of Warrant. Warrant was read by the Town Clerk, and under

Article 1. To choose two or more Fence Viewers and two or more Field Drivers.

Dwight E. Bailey and Thomas A. Kerr were chosen Fence Viewers.

William S. Halladay and Frankie H. Campbell were chosen Field Drivers.

Article 2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

Voted: To accept the reports of the Town Officers as printed, typographical errors and omissions excepted.

Article 3. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

Voted: That the care of the poor be left in the hands of the Board of Public Welfare.

Article 4. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day and provide for its expenditure.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the observance of Memorial Day, the same to be expended by the American Legion and the Sons of Veterans.

Article 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the payment of a proper charge of an Insurance Company for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of five hundred and twenty-five dollars for sureties on the official bond of Town Officers.

Article 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for liability insurance of its employees.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars for liability insurance of town employees.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appoint a committee to investigate and recommend to the Town what action should be taken regarding a town forest.

Voted: To pass over.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, to be expended for the agricultural and home economics extension service in the county and town, in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45, Chapter 128 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning by-laws adopted April 6, 1928, as amended, by changing a certain parcel of land described as follows from residence A. District to Business. Beginning at a point in the Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane thirteen hundred and sixty-seven feet Northwesterly from a point in said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane opposite the Northwesterly line of Silver Street: and running thence Southwesterly at right angles with said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane two hundred feet: running thence Northwesterly in a line parallel with said South-

westerly line of Shoemaker Lane two hundred feet: running thence Northeasterly at right angles with said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane two hundred feet and running thence Southwesterly in said Southwesterly line of Shoemaker Lane two hundred feet to the point of beginning.

Voted: To so amend.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars for the celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the incorporation of the town.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money to be used for the establishment and construction of sidewalks and curbing on any of the streets of the town.

Voted: That the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated for the purpose of constructing sidewalks and curbings as are necessary on Springfield Street beginning at a point in front of the School on said Street known as the "Plains School," and extending as far each way as the said sum of two thousand dollars will carry said work. The sum to be raised by taxation during the current municipal year. It being intended that a reasonable amount not exceeding one-half of the total cost be assessed upon the abutting estates.

Article 12. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for Electric Lights in Line Street.

Voted: That the matter be left in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for reimbursement of F. W. Randall for labor in North Cemetery in 1928.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of fifty dollars.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars to be raised by taxation for continuation of pavement on School Street, and to provide for the overdraft

of two hundred fourteen dollars and sixty cents during 1929 on said Street.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of ten thousand dollars to complete said pavement of School Street and to provide for the overdraft of 1929.

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, provided the State and County will each appropriate a like sum, for the rebuilding of any street in town, with stone, block, brick or other pavement of similar lasting character and provide for raising said sum or take any action relating thereto.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of fifteen thousand dollars, provided the State and County will each appropriate a like amount for the rebuilding of Westfield Street southerly of the center of Feeding Hills, said sum to be raised by taxation during the current municipal year.

Article 16. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the care of the North Cemetery.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for the care of the North Cemetery.

Article 17. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of six hundred and thirty-seven dollars to cover a deficit in Interest Department for 1929.

Voted: To appropriate from excess and deficiency the sum of six hundred and thirty-seven dollars to cover a deficit in the Interest Department during 1929.

Article 18. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow during the current municipal year beginning January 1, 1930, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town.

Voted: That the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen be and is hereby authorized to borrow money from time to

time, in anticipation of the revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1930, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of the tax levy of 1929, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable in one year: any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the revenue of said municipal year.

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money to provide equipment and supplies for establishing a dental clinic.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars to provide equipment and supplies for establishing a dental clinic.

Article 20. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars to complete the construction of Silver Street through to Shoemaker Lane.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars providing the State and County will jointly appropriate a like amount for the finishing of permanent road work on Silver Street.

Article 21. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year.

Voted: To appropriate the following sums of money:

General Government:		
Legislative	$100.00	
Selectmen	2,175.00	
Auditor and Accountant	600.00	
Treasurer	2,100.00	
Collector	2,200.00	
Assessors	3,800.00	
Law	800.00	
Town Clerk	700.00	
Election and Registration	1,000.00	
Town Hall	800.00	
		$14,275.00

PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY:		
Police Department	$5,500.00	
Fire Department	8,000.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	600.00	
Forestry	800.00	
Moth Extermination	600.00	
		$15,500.00
HEALTH AND SANITATION:		
General Administration	$300.00	
Hospitals	3,000.00	
Garbage	500.00	
Other	350.00	
Inspector of Animals	300.00	
Inspector of Meats and Prov.	1,000.00	
Sewers	1,500.00	
		6,950.00
HIGHWAYS:		
Maintenance	$20,000.00	
Lighting	10,000.00	
		30,000.00
CHARITIES:		
Salary and Wages	$700.00	
Relief	7,000.00	
		7,700.00
Schools		153,000.00
LIBRARIES:		
Salaries	$450.00	
Other	250.00	
		700.00
State and Military Aid		500.00
Unclassified		600.00

Interest:		
Bonded Debt	$16,500.00	
Temporary Loans	5,500.00	
		$22,000.00
Debt		38,000.00
Reserve Fund		1,000.00
Under Previous Articles		32,475.00
Total		$322,700.00

Article 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Voted: That any amount available up to fifteen thousand dollars be taken from Excess and Deficiency Fund and applied to the appropriations voted.

Voted: To adjourn.

Henry E. Bodurtha,
Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

JUNE 20, 1930

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning by-laws, adopted April 6, 1928, by changing all that section of the town described as follows, which is now in Residence A. District to Business District.

Commencing on Shoemaker Lane at the center line of Poplar Street and running Easterly and Southeasterly along Shoemaker Lane to a point five hundred feet Easterly of the center of Silver Street, to a depth of five hundred feet on each side of the highway. Also along Silver Street Northeasterly from Shoemaker Lane to a point at the center of Garden Street to a depth of five hundred feet on the Southerly side of said highway.

Voted: To so amend.

Article 2. To see what action the Town will take either by resolutions or by-laws, to prevent the holding up of traffic for sale of tickets (of any kind or nature) upon any of the public streets of the town, by individuals or by private corporations.

Voted: To adopt the following resolutions:

1. That the Selectmen shall not allow at any time in the future, the holding up of traffic for sale of tickets "of any kind or nature" upon any of the public streets of the town, by individuals or by private corporations.

2. That the citizens of Agawam in town meeting assembled protest to His Excellency Governor Frank G. Allen, the illegal

misuse of the authority of the State Police during the dedication of the Bowles' Agawam Airport, and the air races held May 30, May 31, and June 1, and request His Excellency to investigate the matter thoroughly, with a view to preventing any recurrence of such abuse of authority in the future, and to placing the responsibility for the occurrence referred to, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to inform His Excellency, the Governor, of this resolution.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning by-laws, adopted April 6, 1928, by changing from Residence A to Business an area on the Southerly side of Silver Street, and an opposite area on the Northerly side: each area beginning at a point two hundred feet Easterly from the intersection of Silver and Suffield Streets and running Westerly in Silver Street a distance of approximately one thousand six hundred twenty-five feet from the intersection of Silver and Suffield Streets to a highway boundary stone, and each area having a depth of three hundred feet.

Voted: To so amend.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning by-laws, adopted April 6, 1928, by adding to Section 1, the following provision:

"The Selectmen shall attend all hearings on petition for Zoning changes, and shall make a report on each petition to the Town meeting at which the petition is acted upon, favoring or opposing such petition, together with their reasons therefor."

Voted: To amend the Zoning by-laws by adding to Section 1 the following provision:

"The Moderator of the town shall appoint a committee consisting of two voters from each Precinct of the town, which committee shall be known as a Zoning Committee. The term of office of two members to terminate on the date of the annual town meeting in 1931, and the term of office of two members to terminate on the date of the annual town meeting in 1932, and the term of office of two members to terminate on the date of the annual town meeting in 1933. Each year hereafter the Mod-

erator shall within one week after the annual town meeting appoint two persons to the said committee to replace the members whose term expires, and the Moderator may at any time appoint a person to fill an unexpired term, provided that such appointee shall live in the Precinct in which the vacancy occurs. The committee shall hear all petitions to repeal or modify the Zoning by-laws and shall be in force until such time as a planning board is established. Any person proposing to repeal or modify the Zoning by-laws shall file with the Zoning Committee a petition setting forth the proposed repeal or modification with a full and proper description of the property concerned, and the reasons for such repeal or modification, upon which petition, the committee shall within a reasonable time, set a date for hearing. No hearing on such petition shall be had unless a notice stating that such a petition has been filed and giving the time and place of such hearing, and a proper description of the property and proposed repeal or modification shall have been posted in each place where it is customary to post a warrant warning of a town meeting, at least seven days before the date set for each hearing and at least fourteen days before the date of any town meeting before which the proposed repeal or modification is to be acted upon. At any such town meeting the Zoning Committee shall report its findings on the petition and submit a statement of reasons therefor, and no action on the proposed repeal or modification shall be taken by the town meeting until it has heard the report of the committee in pursuance of this by-law.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to amend its Zoning by-laws, adopted April 6, 1928, by changing from Residence A to Business the lot situated at the Southeasterly corner of Meadow Street and Editha Avenue being about one hundred five feet on Meadow Street and one hundred feet on Editha Avenue, being lots numbers 47 and 48 on Assessor's plan.

No action taken.

Article 6. To see if the Town will amend its Zoning by-laws, adopted April 6, 1928, by changing from Residence A to Business the following described tract of land.

Commencing at the Northeasterly corner of Moore and Maple Streets and running Northerly one hundred feet on Moore

Street, thence Easterly sixty-five feet, thence Southerly eighty-five feet to Maple Street, thence Westerly seventy-five feet to place of beginning.

Voted: To so amend.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to rescind its vote passed under Article 15 of the last annual town meeting appropriating the sum of fifteen thousand dollars for construction work on South Westfield Street.

Voted: To rescind the said vote.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand dollars for the rebuilding of Westfield Street commencing at the State Line, providing the State and County will each appropriate a like amount for the same purpose.

Voted: That we appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand dollars provided the State and County shall each appropriate a like amount for the rebuilding of Westfield Street commencing at the Connecticut State Line and running Northerly. Said sum to be raised by taxation during the current municipal year.

Article 9. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars, or any other sum for the completion of permanent roadwork on Silver Street.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of sixteen hundred dollars for the completion of permanent roadwork on Silver Street. One thousand to be raised by taxation and six hundred dollars from the Overlay Reserve.

Article 10. To see if the town will appropriate any sum of money for construction of sewers in any of the streets of the town.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one thousand five hundred twenty-five dollars for construction of a sewer on School Street, the said amount to be taken from the Overlay Reserve.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the laying of water pipes on any of the streets of the town.

Voted: To appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars from Water Maintenance for the use of the Water Commissioners for construction work.

Article 12. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Voted: That all police doing permanent work, or special work for any occasion hereafter shall be duly sworn in before doing duty. These officers shall be resident taxpayers of this town and shall be given the preference before out of town police are used, and each officer shall wear an Agawam badge.

Voted: To adjourn.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

OCTOBER 22, 1930

Article 1. To see if the town will appropriate any additional sums of money for the expenses of various departments of the town.

Voted: To appropriate from Excess and Deficiency the following amounts

For accounting, the sum of.....	$200.00
For health, the sum of.....	300.00
For Public Welfare, the sum of..	5,000.00

Article 2. To see if the Town will amend its Zoning by-laws by changing a section now in Residence B District to Business. Said section being described as follows: "Commencing at the Northerly line of property owned by Leonard and Alice Houghton situated in the Easterly side of Westfield Street and running Northerly along said Westfield Street one hundred and seventy feet and to a depth of one hundred feet to the existing Business District.

Voted: To so amend.

Article 3. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Voted: To adjourn.

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF

State Election

NOVEMBER 4, 1930

	Precinct			
	A	*B*	*C*	*Total*
Number of ballots cast	628	459	764	1851
For Governor:				
John W. Aiken of Chelsea.....	6	1	2	9
Frank G. Allen of Norwood	132	251	490	873
Harry J. Canter of Boston	3	4	0	7
Joseph B. Ely of Westfield	468	188	263	919
Alfred B. Lewis of Cambridge ..	3	0	1	4
Blanks	16	15	8	39
For Lieutenant-Governor:				
Stabo V. Claggett of Newton ...	416	167	224	807
Maria C. Correai of New Bedford	1	4	0	5
Stephen J. Surridge of Lynn	7	1	2	10
Edith M. Williams of Brookline..	6	2	4	12
William S. Youngman of Boston	137	247	505	889
Blanks	61	38	29	128
For Secretary:				
Daniel T. Bessington of Somerville	5	5	2	12
Frederic W. Cook of Somerville..	151	258	514	923
Albert S. Coolidge of Pittsfield...	21	7	8	36
James W. Dawson of Boston....	2	4	1	7
Chester J. O'Brien of Boston....	385	149	204	738
Blanks	64	36	35	135

	Precinct			
	A	*B*	*C*	*Total*
For Treasurer:				
Fred J. Burrell of Medford	112	231	383	726
Eva Hoffman of Boston	1	5	4	10
Charles F. Hurley of Cambridge..	427	174	313	914
Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield	11	5	11	27
Charles S. Oram of Boston	2	3	2	7
Blanks	75	41	51	167
For Auditor:				
Alonzo B. Cook of Boston	142	251	494	887
Harry Fieldman of Springfield...	11	4	10	25
Francis X. Hurley of Cambridge	388	146	216	750
Albert Oddie of Brockton	1	3	0	4
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody	3	3	2	8
Blanks	83	52	42	177
For Attorney-General:				
Morris I. Becker of Boston	8	5	3	16
John W. Janhonen of Gardner ...	0	4	0	4
John W. Sherman of Boston	9	4	5	18
Harold W. Sullivan of Boston...	392	147	199	738
Joseph E. Warner of Taunton...	147	254	519	920
Blanks	72	45	38	155
For Senator in Congress:				
William M. Butler of Boston...	126	240	486	852
Marcus A. Coolidge of Fitchburg	459	184	257	900
Oscar Kinsalas of Springfield ...	3	2	1	6
Max Lerner of Worcester	1	3	1	5
Sylvester J. McBride of Watert'n	3	0	3	6
Blanks	36	30	16	82
For Congressman:				
Joshua L. Brooks of Springfield..	123	243	489	855
William J. Granfield of Longm'd'w	494	199	264	957
Blanks	11	17	11	39
For Councillor:				
George D. Chamberlain of Spr'gf'd	148	255	517	920
James P. Mahoney of Springfield	407	155	202	764
Blanks	73	49	45	167

	Precinct			
	A	*B*	*C*	*Total*
For Senator:				
Frederick E. Judd of Southampton	102	234	451	787
Thomas H. Stapleton of Agawam	483	194	274	951
Blanks	43	31	39	113
For Representative in General Court:				
Frank H. Reedy of Longmeadow	362	148	201	711
Frank O. Scott of W. Springfield	243	263	474	980
William J. Sessions of Hampden	107	222	409	738
Herman Emery	1	0	0	1
Blanks	543	285	444	1272
For District Attorney:				
Charles R. Clason of Springfield	155	276	523	954
Thomas F. Moriarty of Springfield	397	130	202	729
Blanks	76	53	39	168
For Register of Probate:				
Russell L. Davenport of Holyoke	144	246	502	892
John D. O'Brien of Springfield	381	151	204	736
Blanks	103	62	58	223
For County Commissioner:				
Thomas J. Costello of Springfield	399	168	201	768
John G. Maxfield of Longmeadow	137	237	509	883
Blanks	92	54	54	200
For Associate Commissioner:				
Hormisdas Boucher of Ludlow	344	137	177	658
Clarence H. Granger of Agawam	223	292	548	1063
Harry W. Stacy of Springfield	125	199	409	733
Blanks	564	290	394	1248
For County Treasurer:				
Fred A. Bearse of Springfield	177	281	554	1012
John J. Murphy of Holyoke	355	126	165	646
Blanks	96	52	45	193

	Precinct			
	A	*B*	*C*	*Total*
For Sheriff:				
David J. Manning of Springfield..	395	166	206	767
Edmund J. Slate of Springfield...	144	235	497	876
Blanks	89	58	61	208
Question No. 1				
Yes	209	144	312	665
No	63	70	106	239
Blanks	356	245	346	947
Question No. 2				
Yes	397	221	334	952
No	74	123	309	506
Blanks	157	115	121	393
Question No. 3				
Yes	288	167	375	830
No	123	162	241	526
Blanks	217	130	148	495

Births Registered In Agawam

FOR THE YEAR 1930

Date of Birth	*Name of Child*	*Name of Parents*
Jan. 5	Edmond Shibley	Joseph and Edna Dewey
Jan. 8	Leo Delucchi	Joseph and Paulina Riccio
Jan. 9	Earl S. Wood	Leon S. and Edna E. Wile
Jan. 15	Gwendolyn White	Howard and Ethel F. Reid
Jan. 27	Louise Balboni	Antonio and Mary Montagna
Jan. 29	Helen L. Cushman	Solomon F. and Alice Jones
Feb. 3	Cynthia A. Carr	Arthur and Ruth Talmadge
Feb. 9	David A. Hynes	Roger F. and Anne Mackengan
Feb. 10	Barbara J. Smith	Albert L. and Ethel Franklin
Feb. 11	———— Mabb	Lionel and Katharyn Fredrickson
Feb. 12	Richard R. Rescia	Giacomo and Ida Lossani
Feb. 14	Adeline M. Arnold	Andrew F. and Adeline Prophit
Feb. 16	————George	Demosthenes and Fofo Cosmides
Feb. 28	Loretta H. Dean	Henry A. and Vivian Miller
Mar. 1	Calvin H. Cesan	James W. and Olga Blackburn
Mar. 5	Daniel A. Crossman, Jr.	Daniel A. and Cecilia Marshall
Mar. 6	————Bingham	James K. and Edith Hay
Mar. 7	Donald G. Lamontagna	George A. and Viola R. Paro
Mar. 13	Jeanne E. Ambrose	Robert T. and Mabel G. Duclos
Mar. 15	Marie A. Roos	Carl and Hazel Bristol
Mar. 17	Agostino Bonavita	Alberto and Margaretia Rizzo
Mar. 19	Marjorie Rose Harrison	William E. and Etta T. Strong
Mar. 21	Clyde W. Kenyon	George C. and Marian E. Nooney
Mar. 24	Anna B. Phelps	Arthur G. and Irene ————
Mar. 25	Marlyn A. Timmerman	Ralph J. and Beulah F. Morley
Mar. 26	Beryl W. Dunscombe	Leslie A. and Jennie McCarthy
Apr. 1	Alfred A. Meissner, Jr.	Alfred A. and Katherine V. Hamm
Apr. 4	Crescenza Depindo	Marco and Teresa Resta
Apr. 7	Eleanor M. Armstrong	George A. and Ruby M. Whitlock
Apr. 8	Richard Miller	Raymond A. and Dorothy Arnold
Apr. 18	Marilyn G. Quackenbush	Frederick O. and Grace E. Hackett
Apr. 22	Robert G. Tassinari	Evo J. and Josephine M. Borgatti
Apr. 29	Virginia L. Kibbe	Stuart A. and Stella Kidder
May 5	Shirley M. Church	John E. and Theresa R. Masi
May 7	Felix Losito	Giacinto and Teresa Giannini
May 10	Thelma U. Goyette	George E. and Alvina Lemire
May 11	Phyllis E. Reed	Roland C. and Gladys E. Rivers

Date of Birth	*Name of Child*	*Name of Parents*
May 14	Lester W. Besse	Rodman L. and Mabel G. Ritchie
May 24	Gideon A. La Montagne	Louis J. and Dorothy Beahen
May 24	Louis J. La Montagne	Louis J. and Dorothy Beahen
May 26	Ester M. Brissette	Paul and May H. Vivenzio
May 28	Mariolyn E. Moore	Remington and Eunice Pease
May 29	Albert J. Dean	John H. and Eva DeForge
June 1	Irene B. Healey	Cecil H. and Gladys V. Meacham
June 2	Alan A. Dearnley	Fred and Josephine P. Baldyga
June 4	Eleanor Mercadante	James and Philomena Menno
June 7	Barbara R. Beauchane	Edward and Irene Godin
June 8	Adolphus H. Provost	Adolphus Jr. and Lina Flebotte
June 9	Clifford J. Perry	William J. and Ora E. McEwen
June 13	James F. Porter	George W. and Kate Adams
June 14	Richard O. Lord	Harry C. and Catherine D. McAlpine
June 14	Warren I. Goss	Walter C. and Irene C. Baker
June 15	Raymond A. Ferrero	Arthur A. and Jennie Castelli
June 17	Barbara J. Smith	Andrew G. and May D. Guerin
June 19	James F. Fenton Jr.	James F. and Phyllis Bashon
June 22	Barbara C. Mutti	Herman A. and Mary McLean
June 22	Carl L. Fall	William J. and Doris B. Mitchell
June 23	Bernice M. Soden	Edward W. and Anna G. Barden
June 23	Patricia Ann Clark	William S. and Mildred I. Swarts
June 24	Charles R. Bergeron	Emile and Beatrice Devest
June 24	Florence I. Galvin	Cornelius F. and Margaret Myshiall
June 25	Frederick Bozen	Peter and Frances Deabiel
June 27	John E. McCool Jr.	John E. and Lea V. Jasmin
June 29	Robert E. Randall	Frederick E. and Eleanor Ward
July 2	Percy F. Powling	George and Mildred Baxter
July 3	Ronald C. Trevallion	Clair W. and Blanche M. Poirier
July 4	Christine A. Di Lullo	Theodore and Virginia Grimaldi
July 4	Mary L. Campion	Percy C. and Caroline L. Twine
July 5	Richard A. Donaldson	Arba G. and Gladys L. Hale
July 12	Marjorie J. Scoville	Clifford and Marjorie Bitgood
July 15	Lloyd E. Jones Jr.	Lloyd E. and Evelyn D. Clark
July 23	Arden Tinti	Celso and Armenia Collare
July 23	Lorraine B. Daniels	Joseph M. and Delia Lessard
July 25	Jean E. Fusini	Vittorio and Amabile Biardi
July 26	Joan A. Peterson	Arnold E. and Agnes Christiansen
July 26	Elsie I. Marinetti	Eurico and Maria Punta
July 30	Dorothy S. Taddia	Louis and Clara Barrett
July 31	———— Liguori	Fiore and Florence Bonavita
Aug. 3	Vincent Muscaro Jr.	Vincent and Catherine G. Beers
Aug. 4	Philip M. Hubbard Jr.	Philip M. and Mary M. Milton
Aug. 8	Caroline P. Jones	Robert L. and Marjorie Pier
Aug. 9	Barbara J. Needhan	Robert C. and Bessie M. Belden
Aug. 9	Joyce A. Raymond	Theodore and Edna Bassette
Aug. 10	Hazel M. Hastings	Philip W. and Vivian P. Hastings
Aug. 12	Louise Phillips	John and Anna Sopet
Aug. 12	Douglas W. Borroughs	Herbert E. and Harriet Clark
Aug. 16	———— Shaylor	Harold H. and ————

Date of Birth	*Name of Child*	*Name of Parents*
Aug. 20	Ronald R. Waite	Raymond T. and Emeline L. Bassette
Aug. 20	Irene J. Giorgi	Joseph and Curina Zambianchi
Aug. 23	Wesley Carleton Arens	Charles H. and Hazel Winberg
Aug. 27	Wanda C. Sjostrom	Martio S. and Mabel J. Johnson
Sept. 1	Libera P. Baldarelli	Cesare and Demenica Gregorini
Sept. 3	Herbert E. Robbins	Augustus D. and Helena E. Campbell
Sept. 4	Florence R. Viens	Frank and Rose LeCoure
Sept. 8	Lawrence E. Willett	Ransom J. and Dorothy C. Jasmin
Sept. 9	Alan D. Clark	Maurice E. and Dorothy L. Tarbox
Sept. 9	Paul N. Rood	Arthur W. and Mildred F. Henegar
Sept. 11	Constance J. Provost	George H. and Rose Rodier
Sept. 11	Arlean L. Babcock	Timothy A. and Gertrude L. Landry
Sept. 12	Doris H. Westerberg	Frederick B. and Lucy Rouillard
Sept. 14	Elaine A. Baines	Francis A. and Audrey Hewey
Sept. 16	Leslie E. Gibbs Jr.	Leslie E. and Gladys Witlock
Sept. 22	Carla V. Anderson	Henry J. and Eva C. Gustafson
Sept. 27	Romola V. Tangocci	Adams and Emma D'Amico
Sept. 28	Charles R. Jackson	Carmault B. and Mabel Robbins
Oct. 9	David W. T. Smith	Peter A. and Annie Fitchet
Oct. 12	Sophia M. Paspatis	Nicholas and Tessie Nefsky
Oct. 17	Katherine E. Phinney	Henry and Elizabeth Farley
Oct. 22	Mary Suatangelo	Ginlio and Fannie Placido
Oct. 26	Richard L. Fields	Lyman F. and Edna R. French
Oct. 30	Edward Garvoleuski	Edward W. and Mary E. Nizerik
Nov. 4	Ernesto C. Magazzini	Amadeo and Maria Bellenzona
Nov. 10	Esther Bava	James and Marta Beli
Nov. 10	Edna Paro	Ernest I. and Rhea Vezina
Nov. 11	Shirley E. Hutchinson	Harold L. and Emily J. Hull
Nov. 25	Paul W. Daigneau	Edward G. and Maud Bourdo
Dec. 5	George J. Roberts	George and Corrinne Moulmeny
Dec. 5	Jeannette J. Betti	Louis and Mary E. Grasci
Dec. 5	Barbara L. Sullivan	John P. and Barbara Fruwirth
Dec. 11	Leon A. Letendre	Adam E. and Edna I. Dumond
Dec. 20	Joseph Assif	Michael and Elizabeth Sarcus
Dec. 21	Leokadja Szczpanik	John and Mary Skop
Dec. 23	Norma M. Wylie	William J. and Lillian Myers
Dec. 29	Elaine M. Chyba	William C. and Mary I. Vandenberg
Dec. 30	Willard B. Bowen Jr.	Willard B. and Mary B. Adams

Marriages Registered In Agawam

FOR THE YEAR 1930

Date and Place of Marriage	*Names of Groom and Bride*	*Residence*
January 1	Norman Roy Lenville	West Springfield
Agawam	Myrtle Lillian LaBonte	Agawam
January 4	Roland Clesson Reed	Agawam
Agawam	Gladys Esther LaRiviere	Agawam
February 15	John Richard Owen	West Springfield
Agawam	Ruby Frances Stone	Agawam
February 22	Joseph Francis Tarini	Springfield
Agawam	Mary Theresa Ardizoni	Agawam
February 22	George A. Taylor	Springfield
Agawam	Edith Lillian Allen	Agawam
March 3	Frederick James DeGray	Agawam
Agawam	Anna Marie Gaboury	Agawam
March 3	William R. Robbins	Springfield
West Springfield	Catherine Mary Clark	Agawam
March 4	John Phillips	Agawam
Agawam	Anna Sopet	Agawam
March 14	Raymond Arthur Howard	Agawam
Agawam	Doris Marie Mooney	Springfield
March 22	James Norman Hill	Agawam
Springfield	Mary Celia Slovik	West Springfield
April 16	George H. Shaw	Springfield
Springfield	Rebecca Cecilia Stone	Agawam
April 12	Benjamin Davis Reeves	Hartford, Ct.
Hartford, Ct.	Pearl Brown	Agawam
April 22	Augustus Joseph DeMars	Springfield
Agawam	Rose Mary Loncrini	Agawam
April 26	Santo Despirt	Agawam
Agawam	Beatrice Marchetti	Agawam
April 29	Henry Joseph Fortin	West Springfield
West Springfield	Louise Bertha Mueller	Agawam
May 12	William Wheeler	Agawam
Springfield	Lillian Mae Gaffney	Springfield
May 24	John V. Vancini	West Springfield
Agawam	Caroline Novelli	Agawam
May 28	Henry George Hill	Agawam
Springfield	Iola Lee Joynes	Agawam
June 2	John J. Coughlin	Westfield
Agawam	Edith Isabelle Bessette	Agawam

Date and Place of Marriage	*Names of Groom and Bride*	*Residence*
June 7	Philip Hall Steinmetz	Agawam
Springfield	Elsie Wilomenna Otto	Hill, N. H.
June 14	Anastasio Fossa	Agawam
Springfield	Mary Barberio	Springfield
June 14	George H. Talmadge	Agawam
West Springfield	Mabel G. Callanan	Agawam
June 17	Charles D. Consolati	Agawam
Agawam	Virgina Ressia	Agawam
June 28	Arthur Henry Butterworth	Agawam
Springfield	Dorothy May Gess	West Springfield
June 28	Wesley John Guerard	Berlin
Agawam	Bertha Emma Latulippe	Auburn
June 29	Charles O. Cavanaugh	Agawam
Agawam	Marion F. Cowles	Agawam
June 30	Arthur V. Dudley	Agawam
Agawam	Stella A. Rivard	Agawam
July 1	John Emmott	Charlton
Agawam	Jeanette Louise Angers	Charlton
July 2	Franklin Burgess Kuralt	Agawam
Springfield	Rose Blanche Dubour	Agawam
July 3	Carl Balboni	Agawam
Agawam	Rose Montagna	Agawam
July 5	Alfred Norman Jr.	Southbridge
Southbridge	Winifred Leta Safford	Agawam
July 12	Freeland Walter Cooke	Cornwall on Hudson
Springfield	Helen Clara Meissner	Agawam
July 17	Walter J. LaFrancis Jr.	Springfield
Palmer	Edith Cushman Hull	Agawam
July 17	Fred Eugene Tilden	Suffield, Ct.
Agawam	Edith Irene Merrifield	Suffield, Ct.
August 14	Robert J. Shields	Agawam
Springfield	Ella Frances Schalereck	Springfield
August 15	Raymond Guidi	Agawam
Agawam	Yolanda Melloni	Agawam
August 4	Ralph D. Pond	Agawam
Concord, N. H.	Elizabeth E. Baker	Concord, N. H.
August 9	Charles L. Rogers Jr.	Springfield
Suffield, Ct.	Gladys E. Wylie	Agawam
August 18	Frederick Wesley Wright	Springfield
Agawam	Loraine Adrienne Rising	Agawam
August 18	Avila Joseph Paro	Agawam
Agawam	Lillian Perusse	Agawam
August 21	James A. Fournier	Agawam
Springfield	Christina D. Parent	Springfield
August 30	Leo D. Canegallo	Agawam
Springfield	Ann Tebaldi	Ludlow
September 1	Harold William Hannon	Plymouth
Agawam	Rose Marie Cartello	Agawam
September 8	Edward E. Wade	Agawam
Meriden, Ct.	Madeline C. Kelley	Mittineague

Date and Place of Marriage	*Names of Groom and Bride*	*Residence*
September 11	Ernest Edward Desmarais	Agawam
Springfield	Ethel Mildred Slavin	Springfield
September 15	John Paul Berard	Springfield
Agawam	Laura May Provost	Agawam
October 1	Carlo Lanati	Windsor Locks, Ct.
Agawam	Henrietta Cicchi	Agawam
October 16	Newton A. Lewis	New London, Ct.
Agawam	Eunice P. Perrigo	Agawam
October 20	Raymond J. Masi	Agawam
Springfield	Josephine Guidetti	Springfield
October 20	Leo John Beauchane	Agawam
Chicopee	Ora Durocher	Chicopee
October 20	Louis C. Jarvis	Agawam
Agawam	Leola M. Clark	Agawam
October 20	Harry T. Daly	Agawam
West Springfield	Gertrude B. Whyte	Agawam
October 26	Richard C. Fuller	Agawam
Agawam	Barbara M. Holloway	Agawam
November 1	Herbert Darling	Agawam
Agawam	Louise Mencarelli	Agawam
November 4	Franklin V. Johnson	Agawam
Agawam	Dorothy Rose Lamere	Springfield
November 6	Russell L. Ramsdell	Hartford, Ct.
Springfield	May Malloy	Hartford, Ct.
November 8	Edris E. Skinner	Philadelphia, Pa.
Agawam	Rachel H. Ward	Agawam
November 27	James J. Hennessey	West Springfield
Agawam	Stella Parent	Agawam
November 27	Victor Adrien Gagnon	Agawam
Springfield	Kathleen Hennessy	Springfield
November 27	George N. Carmel	Agawam
Westfield	Agnes K. Bannish	Westfield
December 20	Oden D. Baker	Agawam
E. Windsor, Ct.	Beatrice M. Moreau	Tolland
December 26	Paul Arthur Rudman	Agawam
West Springfield	Marion May Seaver	West Springfield

Deaths Registered In Agawam

FOR THE YEAR 1930

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death
Jan. 8	Etta E. Haley	71	1	10	General Septicemia
Jan. 15	Samuel F. Hill	84	10	26	Myocarditis
Jan. 15	Kate R. Fuller	66	4	17	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Jan. 19	William H. Granger	91	6	21	Septicemia
Jan. 25	Mary R. Guilford	83	7	8	Pneumonia
Jan. 28	Clayton W. Duclos	26			Fracture of skull
Feb. 7	James W. Hamilton	68	4	8	Fracture of skull
Feb. 9	Filomena De Maio	6	0	8	Meningitis
Feb. 17	Betty Greening	44	3	28	Angina Pectoris
Feb. 28	Catherine N. Armstrong	50	0	0	Heart Disease
Mar. 2	Stanley S. Sledziewski	43	0	0	Lobar Pneumonia
Mar. 12	Vivian M. Dean	29	0	0	Broncho Pneumonia
Mar. 15	Elizabeth H. Smith	77	1	7	Arterio Sclerosis
Mar. 17	Edward J. Sullivan	44	0	0	Septicemia
Mar. 18	Caroline L. Hayward	87	6	9	Fracture of femur
Mar. 18	Olive B. Pomeroy	65	5	20	Lobar Pneumonia
Mar. 19	Claridina Montagna	64	0	0	Cirrhosis of Liver
Mar. 29	Garrett Nash	78	0	0	Chronic Myocarditis
Mar. 30	Amanda Wood	77	11	27	Acute Bronchitis
Apr. 1	Emelia Carnevale	66	0	4	Angina Pectoris
Apr. 3	James Williams	50	0	0	Broncho Pneumonia
Apr. 5	Richard Elbert Jenks	1	11	24	Lobar Pneumonia
Apr. 6	Hermenegilde Letellier	87	0	0	Arterio Sclerosis
Apr. 8	Mary F. Bristol	81	8	5	Cerebral Hemorrhage
Apr. 13	Lucy G. Phillips	74	5	0	Interstitial Nephritis
Apr. 19	Arthur Ryan	37	7	3	Chronic Nephritis
May 4	Florence I. Hill	45	5	1	Acute Nephritis
May 5	Caroline Baker	91	7	3	Arterio Sclerosis
May 10	Frederick A. Lane	58	5	13	Carcinoma
May 19	Thomas Shibley		4	15	Acute Colitis
May 23	Charles A. Sunden	52	9	16	Tuberculosis
May 29	Mary Emma Rice	77	9	17	Arterio Sclerosis
June 2	Blanche I. Jasmin	31	10	28	Embolism
June 3	Milton R. Biza	18	4	0	Carcinoma
June 15	Margaret H. Patton	31	6	20	Embolism
June 18	Alfred G. Brown	22	1		Drowning
June 24	Susan A. Bosworth	81	4	2	Pneumonia

Date of Death	Name of Deceased	Age Y.	M.	D.	Cause of Death
June 26	William E. Ryan	62	0	0	R. R. Accident
June 26	Catherine Mahoney	56	0	0	Carcinoma
July 4	Helen M. Ely	80	2	22	Endocarditis
July 8	Emma L. Frost	72	2		Abscess
July 11	Lillian B. Werner	58	0	27	Hemorrhage
July 11	Rosanna Brusseau	63	0	0	Hemorrhage
July 17	George Taft	62	4	1	Angina Pectoris
Aug. 15	Richard Menard	13	4	0	Pneumonia
Aug. 30	Alfred Searle	64	9	21	Carcinoma
Sept. 3	Theodore C. Mowry	48	3	7	Suicide
Sept. 14	Helen A. Meers	70	6	6	Hemorrhage
Sept. 16	Paul Pompa	6	0	0	Diphtheria
Oct. 1	Antonio Malone	61	0	0	Broncho Pneumonia
Oct. 7	John L. Fleming	75	4	2	Carcinoma
Oct. 9	Josephine W. Lewis	86	0	0	Hemorrhage
Oct. 14	Marion E. Kenyon	38	4	6	Accidental
Oct. 18	Theophilla Raztemborski	71	0	0	Exposure
Oct. 25	Emily C. Allen	83	8	6	Myocarditis
Oct. 30	Eliza Isabel Jones	79	10	16	Hemorrhage
	Frank B. Wilson	23	0	0	Homicide
Nov. 5	Mary R. Messier	52	0	0	Hemorrhage
Nov. 20	Jane E. Oliver	89	4	17	Nephritis
Nov. 22	Minerva S. Randall	80	7	30	Endocarditis
Nov. 26	Annette M. Kibbe	66	3	19	Myocarditis
Nov. 27	Roland J. St. John	19	2	0	Accidental
Nov. 27	Warren J. Dugan	21	8	8	Accidental
Dec. 2	Leo LaRock	42	3	14	Nephritis
Dec. 7	Julia Benedict	74	11	25	Cardio Vascular Disease
Dec. 12	Marion H. Prentiss	35	1	10	Hemorrhage
Dec. 13	Mary Louisa Taylor	71	3	2	Carcinoma

Statistical Report

Births recorded	136
Marriages recorded	62
Deaths recorded	78
Legal papers recorded	54
Dogs licensed	768
Sporting licenses issued	626
Marriage licenses issued	56

HENRY E. BODURTHA,
Town Clerk.

Report of the Accounting Officer

To the Honorable the Board of Selectmen:

The Annual Report of the Accounting Department, covering the financial transactions of the Town of Agawam for the year 1930, is herewith submitted.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1929

Cash	$5,116.84	
Taxes 1927	2,792.21	
Taxes 1928	40,152.00	
Taxes 1929	98,549.30	
Motor Vehicle Tax	5,044.08	
Accounts Receivable		
Health	708.62	
Sewer Entrances	257.80	
Public Welfare	1,088.84	
Schools	87.50	
Sidewalks 1928	212.83	
Sidewalks 1929	914.85	
Co. Aid to Highways	4,721.20	
State Aid to Highways	4,721.20	
Airport Aid to Highways	12,000.00	
Water Rates	2,200.42	
Water Entrances	291.58	
Tax Titles	1,671.35	
Revenue Loans		$80,000.00
Surplus War Bonus		2,701.14
Overlay 1927		151.41
Overlay 1928		885.60
Overlay 1929		711.89
Phelon Library Fund		27.80

Income Old Cemetery Fund		$97.31
Income Maple Grove Cemetery Fund		48.05
Overlay Reserve		5,718.63
Departmental Revenue		3,776.47
Special Assessment Revenue		1,127.68
Water Revenue		2,487.80
Tax Title Revenue		1,671.35
Est. Rec. a/c Rec. Mo. Ve. Exc. Tax	3,808.70	
Motor Vehicle Exc. Tax Revenue		5,035.92
Excess and Deficiency		57,550.66
Silver Street Construction		18,541.34
Alteration to High School		20.00
Addition to High School		85.14
Libraries		73.03
Water Maintenance		4,479.70
School Street Construction	214.60	
Interest	637.00	
	$185,190.92	$185,190.92

RECEIPTS

General Revenue—Taxes

Current Year		
Property	$172,155.12	
Polls	3,766.00	
		$175.921.12
Previous Years		
Property	$110,830.81	
Polls	1,484.00	
		112,314.81
From State		
Corporation	$7,485.69	
Bank	60.63	
Income	52,598.85	
Soldiers' Exemption	32.25	
		60,177.42

Licenses and Permits		
Junk	$35.00	
Amusement	1,150.00	
Milk	12.50	
Garage	15.00	
Slaughter	452.00	
All other	178.50	
		$1,843.00
Fines		
Court	$2,040.80	
Sheriff	224.50	
		2,265.30
Grants and Gifts		
From State		
Aid to Vocational and Industrial Tuition	$874.97	
From County		
Dog Licenses	1,498.33	
		2,373.30
All Other General Revenue		
Rent	$922.00	
		922.00
Commercial Revenue		
Special Assessments		
Sidewalks 1929	$462.75	
In lieu of taxes	847.73	
		1,310.48
Privileges		
Public Service	$109.67	
Motor Excise Tax	15,562.26	
		15,671.93
Departmental		
Treasurer	$165.64	
Collector	183.85	
Town Clerk	89.00	

Fire Department	$20.50	
Sealing Weights and Measures	25.00	
Sewers	997.72	
Highways Construction		
Silver Street	25,451.15	
So. Westfield Street	23,366.93	
Highway Materials	69.05	
		$50,368.84

CHARITIES

Reimbursement for Aid		
Cities and Towns	$406.51	
State	744.88	
		1,151.39
Soldiers' Benefits		
State Aid	$114.00	
Military Aid	15.00	
		129.00

SCHOOLS

Tuition State Wards	$451.42	
Other Tuition	650.60	
Sale of Supplies	366.52	
Smith Hughes Fund	13.76	
George Reed Fund	1.50	
		1,483.80

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Fines	$78.65	
		$78.65

WATER DEPARTMENT

Meter Rates	$20,911.02	
Water Connections	1,539.39	
		22,450.41

INTEREST

On Deposits	$359.64	
On Deferred Taxes	7,697.25	

On Public Trust Funds		
Library (Davis)	$786.74	
Library (Phelon)	25.30	
Cemetery	60.73	
		$8,929.66

Municipal Indebtedness

Anticipation Revenue Loans	205,000.00

Refunds

General Departments	$20.08	
Public Service Enterprises	2.00	
		22.08

Recapitulation

Receipts for the year 1930		
General Revenue	$355,816.95	
Commercial Revenue	21,376.01	
For Highway Construction	48,818.08	
Water Department	22,450.41	
Interest	8,929.66	
Municipal Indebtedness Anticipation Revenue	205,000.00	
Refunds	22.08	
Cash on hand January 1, 1930	5,116.84	
		667,530.03

PAYMENTS

Departmental

General Government		
Legislative		
Moderator	$25.00	
Print Stationery and Postage	13.15	
Other Expenses	58.49	
		$96.64

Executive		
Selectmen	$1,500.00	
Zoning	623.78	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	.60	
Other Expenses	11.00	
		$2,135.38
Financial		
Auditor and Accounting Officer	$718.10	
Office Supplies	43.07	
Other Expenses	16.25	
		777.42
Treasury		
Salary and Wages	$1,900.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	74.18	
Other Expenses	108.95	
		2,083.13
Collector		
Salary	$1,500.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	526.89	
Other Expenses	477.00	
		2,503.89
Assessors		
Salaries	$2,675.00	
Wages	540.20	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	225.74	
Other Expenses	291.28	
		3,732.22
Other General Departments		
Town Counsel	$250.00	
Other Counsel	508.75	
Other Expenses	30.85	
		789.60

Town Clerk		
Salary	$608.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	69.54	
Other Expenses	22.14	
		$699.68
Election and Registration		
Registrars	$135.00	
Election Officers	698.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	269.15	
Other Expenses	27.75	
		1,129.90
Town Halls		
Janitors	$183.00	
Electric Lights	421.31	
Repairs	202.68	
Other Expenses	99.50	
		906.49

Protection to Persons and Property

Fire Department		
Commissioners	$150.00	
Department Men	1,500.00	
Janitors	150.00	
Equipment	443.93	
International 2 ton Chassis and 500 gal. pump	5,300.00	
Fuel and Light	280.31	
Maint. Buildings	59.72	
Telephone	65.75	
Gas and Oil	40.89	
Other Expenses	5.38	
		7,995.98
Police Department		
Salary, Chief	$2,400.00	
Other Wages	601.79	
Automobile	500.00	

Care of same	$374.62	
Equipment	92.21	
Telephone	81.00	
Lock-up fees	69.55	
Gas and Oil	472.01	
Other Expenses	114.60	
		$4,705.78
Sealer Weights and Measures		
Salary, Sealer	$480.00	
Transportation	29.76	
Equipment	17.31	
Other Expenses	34.00	
		561.07
Forestry		
Salaries		
Superintendent	$222.00	
Other Wages	486.00	
Transportation	66.00	
Equipment	18.55	
		792.55
Gypsy Moth Department		
Salaries		
Superintendent	$196.25	
Other Wages	323.50	
Transportation	34.00	
Equipment	16.02	
Other Expenses	16.76	
		586.53

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

General Administration	
Salaries	$297.95
Other Expenses	2.05
Quarantine and Contagious Diseases	
Board and Treatment	117.00
Medical	232.00
Bacterial Tests	8.00
Other Expenses	137.30

Tuberculosis		
Maintenance of Hospital	$2,203.32	
Board and Treatment	908.71	
Vital Statistics		
Births	12.75	
Deaths	10.00	
Other Expenses	141.16	
Inspection		
Animals	297.00	
Meats	1,070.00	
		$5,437.24

Sanitation

Sanitary Sewers		
Labor, Pay Rolls	$564.38	
Pipe and Fittings	249.17	
Other Expenses	35.10	
		948.65
Sewer Construction		
School Street Sewer		1,524.86
Surface Drainage		513.49
Refuse and Garbage		
Collection of Garbage		500.00

Highways

General Administration		
Order books	$11.92	
		11.92
Salaries and Wages	$10,449.98	
Trucks	333.52	
Equipment and Repairs	3,128.39	
Stone Gravel and Etc.	3,130.75	
Gas and Oil	1,190.82	
Other Expenses	398.42	
Railings	255.38	
Culverts	485.69	
Sanding State Road	13.07	
		19,386.02

Bridges		
Maintenance Hampden County Memorial Bridge	$22.65	
Cement Guard at approach to Agawam Bridge	462.00	
Lumber and Planking for General Repairs	175.16	
		$659.81
Snow and Ice Removal	$36.00	
		36.00
Sidewalk Construction		
Contract	$1,985.51	
		1,985.51
Other Expense		
Street Signs	$6.00	
		6.00
Street Lighting		
Contract	$9,669.03	
Other Expenses	466.47	
		10,135.50
		$32,220.76
Other Expense		
State Highway Tax	$3,386.55	
Snow Removal by State	120.08	
		$3,506.63
Construction		
Silver Street	$26,851.85	
School Street	9,331.07	
So. Westfield Street	35,231.76	
		71,414.68

Public Welfare

General Administration	$700.00	
Outside Relief by Town	10,144.43	
Relief by other Cities and Towns	1,728.91	
Other Expenses	111.28	
		12,684.62

Soldiers' Benefits		
State Aid	$88.00	
Military Aid and Soldiers' Relief	346.75	
		$434.75
Schools		
General Administration		
Salary of Superintendent	$4,650.00	
Salary of Clerk	1,700.00	
Salary of Truant Officer	650.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	121.71	
Telephone	67.53	
Traveling Expenses	188.13	
All Other General Expenses	35.40	
		7,412.77
Agriculture Department		
Salary	$2,676.39	
Other Expense	94.85	
		2,771.24
Teachers' Salaries		
High	$26,238.00	
Elementary	65,303.50	
Supervisors	4,280.00	
		95,821.50
Principal Salary		3,080.00
Text Books and Supplies		
High		
Text and Reference Books	$709.54	
Other Expenses	1,605.83	
		2,315.37
Elementary		
Text and Reference Books	$1,802.57	
Other Expenses	2,870.47	
		4,673.04
Tuition		
Elementary	$74.40	
Vocational	2,804.35	
		2,878.75

Transportation		
High	$9.75	
Elementary	7,774.45	
		$7,784.20
Support of Truants		131.44
Janitor's Services		
High	$2,314.31	
Elementary	7,938.76	
		10,253.07
Fuel and Light		
High	$1,664.83	
Elementary	5,647.90	
		7,312.73
Maintenance of Building and Grounds		
High		
Repairs	$344.18	
Janitor's Supplies	80.24	
Other Expenses	111.87	
		536.29
Elementary		
Repairs	$3,056.05	
Janitor's Supplies	240.30	
Other Expenses	436.22	
		3,732.57
Furniture and Furnishings		
High	$190.37	
Elementary	254.61	
		444.98
Other Expenses		
Diplomas and Graduation Exercises	$202.85	
Miscellaneous Printing	189.76	
Insurance on Buildings	272.83	
School Library	280.52	
Other Expenses	684.40	
		1,630.36

Health		
High	$250.00	
Elementary	1,971.40	
		$2,221.40
Addition to High School		
Equipment		29.24
		$153,028.95

Public Library

Salaries and Wages		
Librarians	$450.00	
Other Salaries	16.60	
Books		
North Agawam Branch	492.82	
Feeding Hills	469.73	
Agawam Center	459.85	
Periodicals	16.65	
Other Expenses	2.50	
Fuel and Light		
Fuel	16.50	
Light	10.66	
Repairs	101.20	
Other Expenses		
Stationery and Postage	25.95	
Printing	6.51	
Other Expenses	11.95	
		2,080.92

Unclassified

Surety Bonds		
Town Treasurer Bond	$187.50	
Town Clerk Bond	5.00	
Tax Collector's Bond	375.00	
		567.50
Other Expenses		
For Land Taking	$1.00	
Memorial Day	150.00	

Printing and Distributing Town Reports	$399.25	
Liability Insurance	505.04	
Aid to Agriculture	400.00	
Smith-Hughes Fund	13.76	
Geo. Reed Fund	1.50	
Celebrating 75th Anniversary of the Town	1,208.01	
Addition to High School	55.90	
Award of Land Damage	1,000.00	
		$3,734.46
Audit		
By State Auditors	$1,043.11	
		1,043.11

EXPENDITURES

Water Department

Maintenance

Commissioners	$300.00	
Superintendent and Registrar	1,560.00	
Clerk	500.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	204.56	
Telephone	9.27	
		2,573.83
Repairs on Truck $277.68		
Gas and Oil 242.99		
Liability Insurance 45.37		
	$566.04	
Meters and Repairs	1,053.70	
Pipe and Fittings	585.95	
Labor, replacing pipe in Lealand Ave.	222.00	
City of Springfield for 4 in. tap in main on Main Street	59.19	
Service Pipe Department		
Labor $850.34		
Pipe and Fittings 901.94		
Tools and Repair of same 21.22		
Medical 2.00		
	1,775.50	
		4,262.38

Water Consumption	$9,247.08	
		$9,247.08
Construction		
Pipe	$546.33	
Freight on same	31.50	
Pay Rolls	234.00	
		811.83
Financial		
Payments on Bonds	$5,500.00	
Payments on Interest	3,006.25	
		8,506.25
Total Expenditures		$25,401.37

CEMETERIES

Care No. Cemetery 1928	$50.00	
Care No. Cemetery 1930	50.00	
Care Maple Grove Cemetery 1930	24.00	
		124.00

INTEREST AND MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Interest		
Anticipation Revenue Loans	$3,696.76	
Memorial Bridge Loan	1,840.00	
High School Loan	7,300.00	
High School Addition	3,600.00	
Other School Loans	2,788.75	
Highway	320.00	
Sewer	560.00	
		20,105.51
Municipal Indebtedness		
Anticipation Revenue Loans	$210,000.00	
Memorial Bridge	4,000.00	
High School	13,000.00	
High School Addition	10,000.00	
Other Schools	8,000.00	
Highway	2,000.00	
Sewer	1,000.00	
		248,000.00

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

Taxes		
State	$8,890.00	
County	14,059.89	
Private Trust Funds	786.74	
Other Public Trust Funds	43.00	
		$23,779.63

REFUNDS

Taxes	$4.00	
Interest	.22	
Excise	157.81	
		162.03

RECAPITULATION

Payments for the year 1930		
General Government	$13,947.86	
Municipal Buildings	906.49	
Protection to Persons and Property	14,641.91	
Health and Sanitation	7,399.38	
Sewer Construction	1,524.86	
Highway Department	19,439.94	
Highway Construction	71,414.68	
Sidewalk Construction	1,985.51	
Maintenance Bridges	659.81	
Street Lighting	10,135.50	
State Highway Tax	3,386.55	
State Snow Removal	120.08	
Charities and Soldiers' Benefits	13,119.37	
Schools	152,999.71	
Addition to H. S. Equipment	29.24	
Library	2,080.92	
Surety Bonds	567.50	
Unclassified	4,777.57	
Public Service Enterprises	25,401.37	
Cemeteries	124.00	

Interest and Maturing Debt		
Interest	$20,105.51	
Debt	248,000.00	
Agency Trust and Investment	23,779.63	
Refund	162.03	
		$636,709.42
Cash and Other Public Trust Fund		30,820.61
		$667,530.03

TRIAL BALANCE AFTER CLOSING BOOKS

December 31, 1930

Cash	$30.820.61	
Taxes 1928	168.23	
Taxes 1929	25,849.60	
Taxes 1930 Polls	268.00	
Taxes 1930 Real and Personal	98,722.89	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1929	636.16	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1930	2,021.95	
Accts. Receivable		
Health	902.05	
Fire	30.00	
Sewer	197.94	
Public Welfare	2,348.70	
Sealers Weights and Measures	63.13	
Schools	468.50	
Highway	21.07	
Sidewalks 1928	183.44	
Sidewalks 1929	452.10	
Sidewalks 1930	560.89	
Co. Aid to Highways	2,562.17	
State Aid to Highways	2,562.15	
Water Rates	1,573.55	
Water Entrances	145.00	
Tax Titles	4,947.55	
Revenue Loans		75,000.00

Surplus War Bonus		$2,701.14
Overlay 1927	$17.77	
Overlay 1928	263.56	
Overlay 1929		484.29
Overlay 1930		2,503.98
Phelon Library Fund Income		53.10
Old Cemetery Fund		89.74
Maple Grove Fund Income		49.35
Overlay Reserve		3,593.63
Departmental Revenue Account		5,070.12
Special Assessment Revenue Account		1,196.43
Water Revenue		1,718.55
Tax Title Revenue		4,947.55
Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue 1929		636.16
Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue 1930		2,021.95
Excess and Deficiency		67,949.26
Dental Clinic		200.00
Highways	99.75	
Street Lights	135.50	
Silver Street Construction		289.49
So. Westfield Street Construction		6,768.24
Alteration to High School Building		20.00
Libraries		190.44
Land Damage (Court award)	1,000.00	
Water Maintenance		1,340.67
Water Construction		188.17
	$177,022.26	$177,022.26

Treasurer's Report

Year ending December 31, 1930

Balance on hand January 1, 1930	$5,116.84	
Receipts of 1930	662,413.19	
		$667,530.03
Payments of 1930	$636,709.42	
Balance on hand December 31, 1930 ..	30,820.61	
		667,530.03

TRUST FUNDS

Whiting Street Fund		
On hand January 1, 1930		
Securities	$5,500.00	
Cash	1,063.62	
Received		
Income from Fund	322.19	
		6,885.81
Paid by order of Trustees ..	$618.82	
On hand December 31, 1930		
Cash	766.99	
Securities	5,500.00	
		6,885.81
Desire A. Pyne Fund		
On hand January 1, 1930		
Securities	$2,000.00	
Cash	172.43	
Income Received	101.26	
		2,273.69

Paid by order of Selectmen .	$159.75	
On hand December 31, 1930		
Securities	2,000.00	
Cash	113.94	
		$2,273.69

Phelon School Fund		
On hand January 1, 1930		
Securities	$4,150.00	
Cash	1,088.14	
Income of Fund	225.17	
		5,463.31
Expenditures		
Orders of School Committee	$68.95	
On hand December 31, 1930		
Securities	4,150.00	
Cash	1,244.36	
		5,463.31

Phelon Library Fund		
On hand January 1, 1930		
Securities	$500.00	
Income Received	25.30	
		$525.30
Paid Trust Fund Income	25.30	
On hand December 31, 1930	500.00	
		525.30

Davis Library Fund		
Income from Fund	$786.74	
		786.74
Paid F. A. Worthington, Treas. .	$786.74	
		786.74

Maple Grove Cemetery Fund		
Balance on hand January 1, 1930	$500.00	
Income from Fund	25.30	
		525.30

Paid Trust Fund Income	$25.30	
Securities on hand Dec. 31, 1930	500.00	
		$525.30
Old Cemetery Fund		
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1930 ..	$700.00	
Income from Fund	35.43	
		735.43
Paid Income Trust Fund	$35.43	
On hand Dec. 31, 1930	700.00	
		735.43

H. E. Bodurtha,
Treasurer.

LIABILITIES, DECEMBER 31, 1930

Twelve bonds of $1,000, each payable annually Oct. 1, 1931-42 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4% water loan	$12,000.00
Bonds of 1913 water loan payable $3,500, annually July 1, 1931-1943 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	40,500.00
Bonds of 1917 water loan payable $1,000, annually Oct. 1, 1931-1942 to Old Colony Trust Co. at 4½%	12,000.00
Bonds of 1916 Schoolhouse loan, payable $1,000 annually July 1, 1931-1934 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	4,000.00
Bonds of 1917 Schoolhouse loan, payable $1,000 annually Sept. 1, 1931-1932 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4½%	2,000.00
Bonds of 1916 Sewer loan payable $1,000, annually Dec. 1, 1931-1943 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	13,000.00
Bonds of High School, $13,000, payable Sept. 1, 1931, $12,000, annually 1932-1941 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 5%	133,000.00
Bonds of 1924 Schoolhouse loan payable $2,000 annually June 1, 1931-1944 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4¼%	28,000.00
Bonds of 1925 Schoolhouse loan payable $3,000 annually June 1, 1931-1940 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	29,000.00
Bonds of Memorial Bridge loan payable $3,000, annually Oct. 1, 1931-1944 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	42,000.00

Bonds of Highway loan, payable $2,000 annually Oct. 1, 1931-1933 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	$6,000.00	$6,000.00
Bonds of High School Addition of 1928 payable $10,000, annually Nov. 1931-1938 to Old Colony Trust Co., at 4%	80,000.00	
Temporary loans	75,000.00	
		$476,500.00

REPORT OF THE

Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare and Board of Health

Highway Department

The year of 1930 has seen quite a lot of improvements on our highways.

School street has been finished, which makes a nice road the entire length of this street.

Silver Street was finished with the cooperation of the State and County, which makes a hard road from Agawam Center up to Shoemaker Lane.

South Westfield street was started at the State Line with the cooperation of the State and County and one and three-quarters miles of road were built for $42,000.00. The State Highway Department and Hampden County are ready to cooperate with us in continuing this road through Feeding Hills to the Westfield line which we strongly recommend as this will make a through route running north and south through the western part of the Town.

In our general highway department Mr. Judson G. Blackman has had charge of the work and has done a very efficient job.

Elm street has been resurfaced.

Two new trucks were bought last spring and if the other old one can be traded in this spring it will make us a fleet of three good trucks. Two new snowplows were bought to go on the new trucks and have given good account of themselves in the snow we have had so far.

One and one half cars of calcium chloride was used on the dirt roads.

Some rock has been buried, small bridges replaced and some roads surfaced with cinders and gravel.

We have always tried to keep all of our streets in as passable condition as can be expected with the money we have had to do it with.

Welfare Department

Owing to the unemployment situation, many families that have always been self-supporting are being compelled to apply to this department for assistance. We have placed men in positions whenever it was possible to do so, and have created jobs to relieve unemployment to quite an extent. Sewer work, brush cutting, painting and road work furnished work through the summer and early fall, but with the coming of cold weather outside work was stopped and many have found it necessary to apply for aid to carry them along temporarily.

Our people that are being supported regularly in private homes, by other towns, and in our own town, remain about the same in number as in previous years but the number of families being aided temporarily is much greater than ever before.

We have found it necessary to furnish medicine and doctors' care in many cases. At this time we wish to express our appreciation of the cooperation received from the Community and School nurses. Many times, owing to prompt action on their part, children have been prevented from having serious illness.

Health Department

We have had no epidemics of contagious diseases this year. The scarlet fever cases have been scattered and one case of diphtheria proved to be a child that had not been immunized.

Our tubercular cases are always costly, also our share of maintaining the Tubercular hospital.

The case of smallpox also proved to be costly to this department.

The final diphtheria immunization test has been completed this year.

Zoning Department

Owing to the business depression of the past year, building has decreased to a certain extent, but structures have been completed which considerably increase our valuation.

We have granted 109 permits during the year 1930.

Our property owners are making every effort to conform with our zoning laws and are careful to secure their permits before starting to build.

The number and type of building for which permits were granted are as follows:

Administration building for Airport	1
Greenhouse for nursery propagation	1
Additions to dwellings	6
Poultry and brooder houses	15
Garages	41
Tool Houses	5
Remodeled Milk Pasteurizing Plant	1
Milk Houses	2
Barns	5
Roads Stands	4
Gas Stations	3
Golf Course	1
Public Laundry	1
One Family Dwellings	16
Two Family Dwelling	1
All other	6
Total permits	109

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN L. TALMADGE,
GILES W. HALLADAY,
JOHN L. BURKE,
Selectmen, Public Welfare, Board of Health.

REPORT OF THE

Chief of Police

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen—I herewith submit to you the annual report of the Police Department from January 1, 1930, to January 1, 1931, inclusive.

ARRESTS

Assaults	2
Breach of Peace	2
Drunk	40
Escaped Prisoner	1
Gaming on the Lord's Day	11
Insane	8
Larceny	20
Lewd and Lascivious	3
Neglected Children	7
Non-support	1
Runaway Boys	2
Stubbornness	4
Violation of Liquor Law	4
Violation of Fish and Game Law	3
Violation Lord's Day	5
Violation Probation	6
Violation Auto Law	38
Vagrancy	4
Total Number of Arrests	161

DISPOSITIONS

Appealed	3
Continued Day to Day	5
Discharged	2
Filed	4
Fined	98
Probation	2
Released	1
Restitution	4
Sentenced to House of Correction	8
Sentenced to Concord	1
Sentenced to Charleston	1
Sentenced to Shirley	1
Suspended Sentences	19
To Northampton (Insane)	8
Turned over to other Police	4
Total	161

Total Amount of Fines Imposed	$5643.00
Total Amount turned back to Town Treasurer	2265.00
Restitution	295.00
Value Stolen Property Recovered	930.00
Value of Stolen Autos Recovered (11)	7600.00

In rendering my fourth Annual Report to the Town of Agawam, I wish to state that we have passed through a year of Depression and Crime that have taxed all Police Departments to their utmost capacity. I believe Agawam has been fortunate that we have not had as serious Crimes as some other communities, and that we have solved a large percentage of those that have been committed.

You will notice that the amount of fines turned back to the Town Treasurer this year is greater than any preceding year, which is mostly due to the large amount of larceny committed and fines coming from this source.

Accidents in the Town have showed a decrease the past year, and I believe we have made a great improvement at the Agawam Bridge in the installation of additional Street Lighting, the Caution Traffic Light and the new abutment at a comparatively small expense to the Town. There are other intersections that

in the interest of Safety should receive attention, and I believe the most dangerous of these is the River Road and Main Street, but as these are two State Highways it will be necessary to look to the State for relief at these points.

I wish at this point to thank the Town Officers, the State Police and all others who have cooperated with me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

PERLEY J. HEWEY,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE

Board of Fire Engineers

For the Year Ending December 31, 1930

The Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Sirs—In submitting our report for 1930, we find it hard to get away from our old story.

Our losses by fire for the year were $35,000. Insurance to the amount of $22,387 was paid or reported paid by the losers with 3 unsettled accounts.

This loss, while large if borne by one, is in itself a good word for the efficiency of the Department as a whole. Our greatest losses were in district where we had no water. This is a great handicap and one that should be corrected as rapidly as possible. These losses also are much lower than in other towns of a like size in the State.

We have purchased a new fire truck during the year, which was installed at Feeding Hills. This, to the best of our knowledge, is giving satisfaction.

We recommend the purchase of a new truck for North Agawam to be installed during 1931. This portion of our town is growing rapidly and demands the service that this modern apparatus will give.

The old Reo truck at Feeding Hills was stripped of all Fire Department equipment and the chassis turned over to the Highway Department. In this way we feel that the town received more for the truck than they would by selling it.

Attention is constantly being called to the poor system that is used for calling the Department in case of fire. This criticism is justified and should be corrected as soon as possible.

Fire Alarm systems are costly, and we do not believe that

Agawam can afford the expense of a Permanent Department, a centrally located Fire Station and a Fire Alarm system at the present time.

We urge all citizens to get cards with full instructions for calling the Department. These may be received from Captain Roy of North Agawam, Captain Kellogg of Feeding Hills, and Captain Shaylor of Agawam Center .

We wish at this time to thank these officers and the men in their companies for the splendid service they have rendered the town the past year.

The duties of the Board of Fire Engineers are constantly growing from year to year. Permits for the removal and installation of all gasoline tanks, sale of fireworks, storing of and use of all explosives, and installation of domestic oil heaters. This last item is the greatest. More than 100 heaters are in use in town. These have to be inspected and permits issued for their operation once each year, a permit being good only for one year from date of issue.

The calls made upon the Department for 1930 are as follows:

Dwellings	31
Barns	5
Garages	4
Chimneys	9
Autos	4
Grass	17
Brush	10
These were divided as follows:	
Co. No. 1 North Agawam	25
Co. No.2 Feeding Hills	23
Co. No. 3 Agawam Center	32
Total Calls	80

E. J. Gosselin, *Chairman.*
James W. Shea, *Purchasing Agent.*
Frank T. Goss, *Secretary.*

Assessors' Report

To the Selectmen of the Town of Agawam, Mass.:

During the past year considerable improvement has been made in the office records of this department, including the installation of a card system as recommended by the State Department of Taxation.

Work is progressing on the Assessors' maps, and these are proving valuable, especially in equalizing assessments.

The present automobile excise tax law is believed to be an improvement over the 1929 law and, while necessitating a considerable amount of extra clerical work, it has in general proved more equitable.

Attention is called to the fact that the Assessors are holding meetings regularly on Friday evenings for the convenience of taxpayers.

Adolphus Provost.
Clarence H. Granger.
Paul B. Johnson.

Statistical Report

Horses	289
Cows	531
Sheep	51
Neat Cattle	162
Swine	471
Fowls	10,774
Value of Fowls	$10,774.00
Houses	1,578
Acres of Land	13,938½

Valuations

Buildings	$5,345,625
Land	2,888,100
Total Real Estate	8,233,725
Personal Estate	1,208,321
Total Valuations	9,442,046

Upon which taxes have been levied as follows:

County Tax	14,059.89
State Tax	8,890.00
State Highway Tax	3,386.55
State Audit Tax	1,043.11
State Snow Removal Tax	120.08
Town Appropriations	322,700.00
Overlay for current year	2,704.86
	$352,904.49

Less Estimated Receipts:

Income Tax	$44,939.57
Corporation Tax	7,000.00
Bank Tax	200.00
Licenses	1,400.00
Fines	1,350.00
Special Assessments	800.00
General Government	200.00
Highways	75.00
Protection of persons and property	100.00
Health and Sanitation	400.00
Charities	900.00
Soldiers' Benefits	100.00
Schools	1,000.00
Libraries	75.00
Public Service Enterprises	100.00
Interest on Deposits	500.00
Interest on Taxes and Assessments	6,500.00
Rentals	500.00

Bills in Lieu of Taxes.....	$800.00	
Auto Excise Taxes	10,000.00	
	$76,939.57	
Net Amount to be raised on Polls and Property	$275,964.92	
No. of Polls 2017@$2.00 each	4,034.00	
Taxes on Personal and Real Estate@ $28.80	271,930.92	
To Howard W. Pond Tax Collector was committed for Collection the sum of	$275,964.92	
Omitted Assessments	20.00	
Auto Excise Tax	14,291.43	
		$290,276.35

ADOLPHUS PROVOST,
CLARENCE H. GRANGER,
PAUL B. JOHNSON,
Assessors

REPORT OF THE

Tax Collector

1930

Tax Committed	$275,966.92	
		$275,966.92
Cash paid to Treasurer	$175,921.12	
Less transfer to previous year	200.00	
	$175,721.12	
Abatements and Tax Titles	$1,250.50	
Adjustments	4.41	
Uncollected Taxes	98,990.89	
		275,966.92

Previous Years

January 1, 1930 balance due	$141,493.51	
Adjusted balances	160.32	
		141,653.53
Cash paid Treasurer	$112,314.81	
Plus transfer from 1930	200.00	
Abatements and Tax Titles	2,995.74	
Adjustments	125.45	
Balance 1928	168.23	
Balance 1929	25,849.60	
		141,653.83

Motor Vehicle Tax 1930

Tax Committed	$14,211.60	
		14,211.60

Paid to Treasurer	$11,129.83	
Abatements	1,059.82	
Balance due	2,021.95	
		$14,211.60

Motor Vehicle Tax 1929

Balance due January 1, 1930	$5,044.08	
Commitments	19.03	
Adjustments	8.72	
		5,071.83
Paid to Treasurer	$4,274.62	
Abatements	161.05	
Balance due	636.16	
		5,071.83

Auditor's Report

February 10, 1931

I hereby certify that I have examined the accounts of the Town Clerk and Treasurer also the Collector for the year of 1930 as set forth in their annual reports and to the best of my knowledge they are correctly and accurately recorded.

LEAFIE N. MAYNARD,
Auditor.

Annual Report from the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture and the Hampden County Improvement League

For the Year Ending December, 1930

To the Town of Agawam:

The town of Agawam appropriated the sum of $400 to the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, for the purpose of further promoting locally 4-H Club work, Home Making, and improved practices in Agriculture. The larger part of this appropriation was used to reimburse local leaders for expenses incurred by them in the performance of their duties as group leaders, assisting the county agents to render larger and better services in the town of Agawam.

In the 4-H Club Department, for example, there were 183 boys and girls enrolled during the year.

Three Agawam boys won County Championship honors. These were: Kenneth Brown in the 4-H Dairy Club; Chester Pilch in Bees, and Creighton Abrams in Beef. Chester Bailey was awarded state honors in the 4-H Sheep Club Project, while Elbert Jenks captured for the second time the grand championship honors on his Baby Beef at the Eastern States Exposition, which animal sold at 55 cents per pound, live weight. Elbert was also awarded a gold medal by the State Department of Agriculture, and a gold watch valued at $50, by the Thomas Wilson Company of Chicago.

Dorothy Brown won a seventh prize in the National Canning Contest in cooperation with women and girls all over the United States.

The following local leaders gave valuable assistance to the county agents during the year in this 4-H work—D. E. Bailey,

Mrs. Lee Jenks, Mrs. Warren Bodurtha, Mrs. Harry A. Bell, Mrs. Eva Pierson and Miss Marion Allen.

In the Home Bureau Department 143 women were enrolled. Mrs. Hendrick Fickwieler was Chairman of the Agawam Group and Mrs. Dwight Hawley, Vice-chairman; at Feeding Hills, Mrs. Wm. J. O'Connor was Chairman and Mrs. Wm. Costine Vice-chairman.

In the Home Grounds Department, thirteen homes were visited and given direct assistance in work pertaining to lawns and other home grounds problems.

The services of all these county wide workers are free to the town and its people. Nearly two hundred personal farm and home visits were made by the county workers in the town of Agawam during the year, aside from the numerous letters written, phone calls and personal calls at the League office.

REPORT OF THE

Board of Water Commissioners

Receipts		
From Water Rents	$20,911.02	
From Water Connections	1,382.89	
Pipe to Agawam Airport	156.50	
		$22,450.41
Expenditures		
Maintenance		
Commissioners	$300.00	
Superintendent and Registrar	1,560.00	
Collector	500.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	204.56	
Other expense	575.31	
Water	9,247.08	
Meters and repairs to same	1,053.70	
All other expense	867.14	
Service Pipe	1,775.50	
		16,083.29
Construction		
Agawam Airport	$234.00	
Lealand Avenue	577.83	
		811.83
Financial		
Payment and Interest on Bonds	$8,506.25	
		8,506.25
Total		$25,401.37

W. S. Kerr,
D. M. Crowley,
D. K. Bodurtha,
Water Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE

Library Trustees

Books

Number at Agawam	9496
Number at Feeding Hills	6235
Number at North Agawam	2289

Circulation

Agawam	17,434
Feeding Hills	9049
North Agawam	10,247

Borrowers

Agawam	950
Feeding Hills	255
North Agawam	410

Alice B. Granger,
Anna H. Rudman,
Ida Bernatchez,
Library Trustees.

REPORT OF THE

Sealer of Weights and Measures

To the Selectmen of the Town of Agawam:

Gentlemen—The total number of articles sealed in 1930 was 587; condemned, 8.

It is obvious from the above that the scales and measures are improving in quality.

Commodities inspected	204
Correct	139
Underweight	9
Overweight	56
Pedlers' licenses inspected	42
Convictions	1

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN U. LEONARD,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF THE

Superintendent for Gypsy Moth Control

To the Selectmen:

Gentlemen—The Gypsy Moths are being gradually brought under control, but they are not as yet wholly eradicated. Old infestations we can and do kill in a large measure, but new ones are constantly coming in, and these must be found and taken care of in order to keep the town free from a general infestation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN U. LEONARD,
Moth Superintendent.

Annual Reports

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

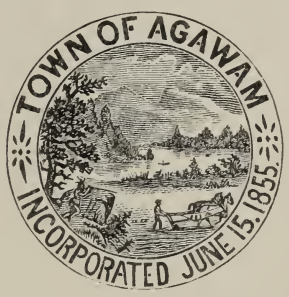
and the

SUPERINTENDENT of SCHOOLS

of the

Town of Agawam

Massachusetts



For the Year Ending December 31

1930

Agawam Public Schools

ORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL BOARD

Clifford M. Granger, *Chairman* Term expires March, 1932
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

Mrs. Grace B. Reed Term expires March, 1932
Post Office Address, Agawam

Arthur Rudman Term expires March, 1931
Post Office Address, Agawam

Thomas H. Stapleton Term expires March, 1931
Post Office Address, Agawam

Joseph L. Roy Term expires March, 1933
Post Office Address, North Agawam

Sidney F. Atwood, *Secretary* Term expires March, 1933
Post Office Address, Feeding Hills

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Benjamin J. Phelps
Telephone: 4-2831

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1931

Winter Term—January 5 to April 3.
Spring Term—April 13 to June 5, Elementary Schools.
Spring Term—April 13 to June 12, Junior-Senior High School.
Fall Term—September 8 to December 23.

OFFICE HOURS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

High School Building—School Days, 8.30-9.00 a.m., and by appointment.

Secretary
EMMA MELLOR
Telephone 2-7176

HOURS OF SESSIONS

Elementary Schools
9.00—12.00 a.m.
1.00—3.30 p.m.

Junior High School
9.00—12.00 a.m.
12.30—3.00 p.m.

Senior High School
9.00 a.m.—12.30 p.m.
1.00—3.00 p.m.

REPORT OF THE

School Committee

In accordance with an ancient and most honorable custom, we herewith present for your consideration our annual report as a committee. As usual, the Superintendent's yearly message covers nearly all the field of our educational activities. Consequently, we have but few topics of importance for your perusal.

The year 1930 was in many ways an important one in the history of our town. As you all know, Agawam celebrated the seventy-fifth anniversary of her incorporation as a town with a colorful parade and a splendid historical pageant. Although the School Department had no special part in the exercises of the Day, we feel proud of the fact that our educational program for 1930 showed that phase of our civil development matching step with the local advance along religious, social, political and industrial lines.

There were a few so-called "high lights" in the educational line-up of the year just closed. We would like to make mention of them in a very brief way. Perhaps the most important of all was the installation of an improved system of transportation for our school population. For many years we have been struggling along with a poor and inadequate system for carrying our children to their various school buildings. One of our local drivers came before your Committee with a proposition for bus transportation for the whole town. After a careful consideration of the same we decided that such a plan, though somewhat more expensive than our "hit or miss" scheme, would be a tremendous improvement over existing methods. Realizing that some of the other drivers might be interested in handling such a proposition, we felt, in all fairness to them, that they should have an opportunity to submit bids. Several bids were received by the Com-

mittee, and, according to custom, the contract was awarded to the highest bidder. The adoption of this plan of transportation has to our mind been the most progressive step we have taken in years. Of course, it is still in the trial stage, but the results so far have been very gratifying. Our school attendance has reached a higher percentage than ever before, and, furthermore, the general health of our pupils has been exceptionally good for this season of the year. Regular busses run on regular schedule—with comfortable seats for all who are eligible to ride, and with ample protection from snow and rain—seem to us the ideal method of transportation.

We would like to say just a word about our health program during the school year just closed. In cooperation with the Board of Health, we have had a large percentage of our school enrollment subjected to tests preventive of diphtheria. At this time there is a prevalence of that dread disease in some of our nearby towns and cities. This year we have been spared such an epidemic. This coming spring we are in hopes of completing this work of immunization among all our school children.

One matter that we have spoken of several times in the past we would like to bring to your attention again; that is, the need of a larger and better playground and athletic field for our High School. This matter has been under discussion now for several years, but we are still waiting for some definite action on the part of the town. The real estate boom seems to have collapsed, temporarily at least, and such being the case it would seem to be the best of economy to acquire the necessary land at the earliest opportunity.

In 1930 we practiced the strictest economy and by so doing we kept our expenses within the limits of our budget. Owing to the prevailing industrial depression, we feel that our 1931 appropriation should be kept down to the lowest possible figure. Some items, such as transportation, teachers' salaries, wages of janitors and tuition, are in the nature of fixed charges; consequently our savings must be along the lines of fuel, textbooks, supplies and repairs. We have nearly $1800 of insurance on school buildings falling due this year. This item must be met as well as the increased costs of our more modern transportation. These two items may necessitate a slight increase in the appropriation for 1931, but, as usual, we shall figure our budget as closely as possible.

In concluding our report we wish to thank the parents and

citizens of this town for their very cordial support in the past. It has been said by many school men that no town of its size has a better school system than Agawam, and that very few towns can boast such an efficient and loyal corps of teachers. Our High School, ever since it was established, has maintained a very high standard of scholarly efficiency and has acquired distinction throughout the State. If these statements are true—and what loyal citizen would wish to doubt them—a large part of the credit therefor belongs to the parents of our boys and girls, and their friends. The parents and taxpayers have always been generous to the schools and ever cooperative with the school authorities.

Respectfully submitted,

S. F. Atwood,
Joseph L. Roy,
Grace B. Reed,
Thos. H. Stapleton,
Arthur Rudman,
Clifford M. Granger.

Financial Statement of Schools

December 31, 1930

General Expense	$7,401.69
Salaries of Teachers, Supervisors and Principals	98,901.50
Text Books	2,511.62
Stationery, Supplies, etc.	4,455.12
Wages of Janitors	10,253.07
Fuel	5,657.97
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses	2,530.33
Repairs and Replacements	3,400.23
Libraries	280.52
Health	2,221.40
Transportation	7,784.20
Tuition	3,010.19
Miscellaneous Expenses	1,364.56
Outlay—New Equipment	456.07
Agriculture	2,771.24
Total	$152,999.71

Superintendent's Report

To the Members of the Agawam School Committee:

Gentlemen—The following report, for the most part, is written about certain administrative improvements which have been made in the Agawam schools during the past two years. It is quite unusual for a school report to be written on such a topic, but since these improvements have been far-reaching in character, and since they are fundamental in nature in that they touch our educational program in vital places, they form an excellent subject for a school report. The following items will be presented for your consideration: Improved Consolidation of Schools; Special Class in Junior High School; Agricultural Course; Improved System of Transportation; Improved Health Program; Parent-Teacher Association. In connection with the Superintendent's report there will also be the reports of the High School Principal, and the Supervisors of Music and Art.

Improved Consolidation of Schools and Significant Results

The seventh and eighth grades from all parts of the town have been housed for the past year in the Junior-Senior High School building, and, in consequence thereof, we have completed the first year of a genuine six-year high school program. At present there are four classrooms of seventh grade pupils and a like number of classes of eighth grade pupils. In addition there is a special classroom of pupils of junior high school age who are three or more years retarded.

The pupils in these classrooms are grouped according to ability. This classification of the pupils is established by the record of the pupils in classroom work, their marks in standard achievement tests, and the judgment of the teachers in each

individual case. In all groups the regular work of the grade is stressed throughout the year, and in the highest ranking groups more extensive work is accomplished. This grouping of pupils is found to be very helpful, for by such an arrangement all pupils can be given work which will test their mental powers and which will command from each his maximum ability. At the same time, there is present in the divisions a sufficiently wide enough range of pupil ability to stimulate the group and to prevent the prevalence of a benumbing dead level.

The honor rolls published at the end of each marking period have increased in proportions, and well over 25% of the Junior-Senior High School pupils have been listed on the same. On these honor rolls pupils' names in representative ratios from all parts of the town appear. This would indicate that in the various elementary schools of the town our pupils are receiving instruction in the same work with the same effective emphasis.

Standard achievement tests are given the 5th, 6th, and 7th grades twice a year, once in November and again in May. These tests are of great diagnostic value in the 5th and 6th grades, in that they provide the pupil and teacher with a definite basis for individual work, and thereby make it possible for the elementary schools to give a better preparation to the pupils who are soon to enter the junior high.

Early in the school year a conference of the sixth grade teachers with the teachers of the junior high was held in the Junior High School. The ways and means of bridging the gap between the elementary school and the junior high school was the point at issue. Many helpful suggestions were given and received by the teachers of both schools. In a brief statement, we can definitely report that in the consolidation of schools the junior high school has reached down to improve the work of the grades, and the elementary school has reached up to improve the work of the junior high school.

Special Class in Junior High School

Agawam took advanced ground when the School Committee made the Special Class in the Junior High School a full-fledged member of the junior high group. The boys and girls in this class have given excellent response to the confidence placed in them, and have proved that they, too, can make progress when placed in the right environment. To be able to go to the same school

with brothers and sisters and fellow companions is a good stimulus to the members of this class.

The Agricultural Course

We have at the present time four courses of study in our curricula; namely, the College Preparatory, the General, the Commercial, and the Agricultural. The Agricultural Course has been established recently. This course was set up in response to the presence of a large group of boys who needed intensive work in subjects related to the farm, their major interest in life. As a result we find these boys carrying on successfully in the High School.

Improved System of Transportation

In accordance with the recommendations of my last report the School Committee has inaugurated in the town a new type of transportation during the past school year. The pupils of the elementary schools and first two grades of the Junior High School who live more than one and one-half miles from school are now receiving transportation for the entire school year. During the winter months, the elementary school children have the same advantages of transportation that have prevailed for the past few years. The benefits of this new type of transportation are quite significant and are as follows:

The children are removed from the highways—there has not been any complaints from passing motorists about the congested traffic on Main and Meadow Streets. As a safety measure, the new type of transportation has justified itself.

The attendance record of the elementary school and junior high school pupils has been improved. Never before in the history of the Town of Agawam has a percentage of 96% in attendance been registered for a period of one-half of a school year. Inasmuch as poor pupil attendance is costly, not only to the pupils but also to the town, any reasonable measure which operates to improve attendance is to be commended—transportation is such a measure.

This new transportation also provides for a better distribution of the pupils to the various elementary schools. Many of the pupils in our special classes are transported from the borders of the town to the centers where these new rooms have been established. Formerly it was rather difficult and disconcerting to the

pupil to make his way from Shoemaker Lane to the North Agawam School. But now a first class bus stops at his door and takes him to his proper schoolroom, and after the school day is over the same school bus returns him to his home. In several grades of our schools, at the opening of the school year, there was an overflow enrollment. While this enrollment was too large for one teacher, it was not sufficiently large to demand the full services of two teachers. Since we are able this year, because of the bus service, to transfer pupils from over-populated school centers to those centers not so heavily burdened, we have effected a saving of approximately the services of two teachers. The places from which the overflow children are transported are Agawam Center and Springfield Street. The place to which these pupils are transported is North Agawam.

Our school children have been quite healthy during the past school year, and there is reason to believe that this improved transportation has contributed in a measure to health betterment. Very few of our children now reach school drenched to the skin from head to foot. To sit in the schoolroom all day long clothed in damp habiliments lessens the resistance of the body and makes the system a more ready prey for disease germs.

In brief, the major benefits of school transportation in Agawam are as follows: Our highways are made safer for both pupils and autoists. Our pupils can be more evenly distributed to the various elementary schools, which makes it possible to give a reasonable teaching load to every teacher and thereby lessen the per pupil cost of instruction. Our per cent of attendance is raised and, in consequence thereof, our per cent of retardation is lowered; and the health of our pupils is improved. Good health and good attendance are important factors in figuring the costs of education.

Improved Health Program

The Board of Health of Agawam cooperating with the health department of the schools has inaugurated three most important health measures during the past two years; namely, the Toxin Anti-Toxin Clinic for diphtheria prevention; the Von Pirquet Test for the discovery of tuberculosis in its earliest stages; and the Dental Clinic for the preservation and conservation of the teeth. The war is on in Agawam to oust these fatal germs from their secret abodes and hiding places or, if that is impossible, to so bury them in their favorite haunts with sound, healthy body

tissues that they will never be able to start forth on their raids of destruction. The Town of Agawam is using intelligent methods in this warfare, backed by the growing interest of an enlightened citizenship. The results will be found not only to be of economic saving—for health is wealth—but also to be productive of happiness, for health is the balance wheel of contentment—health is fundamental.

The health department will present in its report interesting data which will give in detail the status of our clinics to date. The following notes on the health of school children are presented as a conclusion to the health topic:

Physical Defects of School Children—H. C. Wood

Mental	1-2%	Defective Vision	10-13%
Heart	1-2%	Nose and Throat	30%
Tuberculosis	5-10%	Defective Posture	30-40%
Malnourishment	20-30%	Defective Teeth	50-98%

Kempf and Collins of the United States Public Health Service in *A Study of 5,000 Children in Illinois* made this conclusion:

> The average number of physical defects decreases as the intelligence quotient increases. This tendency seems to be independent of race, language and other similar factors.

A statement published in the *American Journal of Public Health* was

> Physical examination of over 14,000 retarded school children in Massachusetts demonstrates a positive association between the factors of physical defect and a lower level of intelligence.

A Study of 8,000 School Children in New York, by Ayres

> This publication is one by the Russell Sage Foundation on the relation between physical defects and school attendance.
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> "While the normal child will complete eight grades in eight years, the average for those with defective teeth was 8.5 years; with hypertrophied infected tonsils, 8.7; with infected adenoids, 9.1 years; with enlarged glands, 9.2 years."

Mason and Howell, New York City, stated that

80% of all absences during the period from 1920 to 1925 was due to illness.

Bolt, of California, stated that, according to his study,

70% of all absences was due to illness.

Ayres, in the Russell Sage Foundation publication on *Laggards in Schools,* stated that

The cost of repeaters in 55 American cities amounted to approximately 15% of total school costs.

Parent-Teacher Association

In my last report mention was made of the advisability of starting a Parent-Teacher Association for the Junior-Senior High School, and plans were outlined for the formation of such an association. The same plans were also presented to a group of interested parents, who visited the school during Education Week. At that time definite steps were taken to form such a Parent-Teacher Association. The first meeting of the association will be held in February of this school year. There are, more than ever before in the history of education, potent reasons why parents and teachers should give full cooperation in educational programs. The parents of Agawam boys and girls will gain benefits by visiting our classrooms and becoming acquainted with the teachers in charge of the same, and, correspondingly, the teachers also will be able to meet and solve their problems more efficiently by reason of the support and help of the parents. The home has gone out to the school—the school must take a more prominent place in the home.

There was a turnover of 22% in the Agawam teaching staff for the year of 1930. This was rather a large percentage in view of the fact that the past school year has been more or less a closed season on teachers.

The reasons for the changes are quite clear. The cause of matrimony claimed Miss Baker, Miss Mousley and Miss Gosse. The other teachers accepted positions in places where they received much larger salaries. Miss Jauch was elected to teach French in the Springfield schools. To the same city also went Miss Sutcliffe, Miss Connell and Miss Connors. Miss Hubbell

is teaching art in the junior high grades of New Britain, Connecticut. Miss Goodwin went to the primary department of the Quincy schools; Miss Dickinson to the second grade of the Longmeadow schools; Miss Spelman to the fifth grade of the Waltham schools; and Miss Irwin to the special class of the South Manchester, Connecticut, schools. All of these teachers had given from three to six years of high class service to Agawam, and in most cases had reached the maximum salary in their class. Owing to the fact that there is a surplus of teachers, an opportunity was afforded to pick new teachers from a large field of applicants. Such a condition made it possible for Agawam to secure teachers for these vacancies who offered splendid personal qualifications along with high grade accomplishment in their training and experience.

There is a most commendable spirit of cooperation in the entire teaching staff. The motto of the staff seems to be "Gladly will we learn and gladly will we teach." The desire to learn manifests itself in several ways—mention should be made of two. In the elementary schools, nearly every teacher at her own expense purchased for her classroom use the most helpful set of books available—namely, "The Classroom Teacher," published by Columbia University. Also many of our teachers from all departments have taken the courses offered by various graduate schools of education in our vicinity, while other teachers have spent their vacations in summer schools. Their pleasure in teaching is manifested by the interest their pupils show in the work of the classroom, and by the cheerful spirit maintained by all concerned.

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF THE PRESENT SCHOOL YEAR

September 2—December 23, 1930

	Total Membership	*Average Membership*	*Average Daily Attendance*	*Per cent Attendance*	*Tardiness*
High School					
Senior High III	59	57.35	55.10	96.08	42
Senior High II	69	68.69	66.58	96.93	39
Senior High I	89	85.75	82.42	96.12	45
Junior High III	117	113.65	109.50	96.35	54
Junior High VIII-5	33	32.10	30.95	96.51	8
Junior High VIII-4	25	24.93	24.22	97.15	0
Junior High VIII-3	32	30.99	29.81	96.16	2
Junior High VIII-2	34	33.84	32.87	97.13	10
Junior High VIII-1	35	33.99	33.16	97.56	6
Junior High VII-4	41	39.11	37.60	96.14	5
Junior High VII-3	41	39.26	37.97	96.71	5
Junior High VII-2	40	39.03	38.04	97.46	0
Junior High VII-1	41	39.69	38.49	96.98	7
Junior High Spec. Class	20	19.36	18.52	95.66	0
North Agawam School					
Grade VI	38	37.55	36.84	98.11	0
Grades V-VI	35	34.05	33.45	98.24	9
Grade V	40	37.99	37.73	99.28	5
Grade IV	37	35.84	35.25	98.35	4
Grades III-IV	37	33.85	32.08	94.78	1
Grades II-III	38	34.89	33.95	97.31	3
Grade II	43	40.66	39.73	97.71	4
Grade I	31	29.11	28.27	97.11	10
Grade I	31	28.86	28.12	97.43	5
Special Class	18	16.20	15.57	96.11	4
Agawam Center School					
Grade VI	51	50.47	47.95	95.01	23
Grade V	41	37.83	36.76	97.15	8
Grades IV-V	33	29.93	28.91	96.59	5

ATTENDANCE REPORT—(Continued)

	Total Membership	*Average Membership*	*Average Daily Attendance*	*Per cent Attendance*	*Tardiness*
Grade IV	45	39.57	38.29	96.76	27
Grade III	45	43.42	41.30	95.10	20
Grade II	41	37.01	35.61	96.00	10
Grade I	40	38.41	36.39	94.74	33
Springfield St. School					
Grade VI	41	38.40	37.17	96.78	6
Grade V	44	40.28	39.04	96.93	13
Grade IV	41	38.74	37.53	96.88	9
Grades III-IV	37	34.13	32.85	96.25	4
Grade III	34	32.07	31.20	97.29	5
Grade II	42	40.94	39.61	96.75	16
Grade II	11	10.94	10.49	95.89	5
Grade I	41	39.60	37.41	94.47	19
Feeding Hills School					
Grade VI	23	22.75	21.87	95.94	4
Grades IV-V	43	42.09	40.43	96.06	27
Grades II-III	40	38.08	35.90	94.26	8
Grade I	22	21.33	20.08	94.10	30
South School					
Grades I-II-III	35	34.50	32.73	94.86	11
Suffield St. School					
Grades I-II-III	22	21.06	20.15	95.68	23
West St. School					
Grades I-II-III-IV	27	24.67	23.53	95.38	6

Total Membership for Town	1823
Average Membership for Town	1742.96
Average Daily Attendance for Town	1681.42
Per cent Attendance for Town	96.47
Tardiness for Town	580
Total Membership January 1, 1930	1733
Increase over last year	90

There is an increase of 90 pupils in our enrollment this year. This increase has been taken care of without increasing the number of teachers. The explanation of this situation is as follows: The burden of the surplus pupils fell upon the seventh grade of the Junior High and resulted in an increased load for the seventh grade teachers. Our present system of transportation brought about a more even distribution of pupils in the elementary schools and thereby several overcrowded classrooms were relieved.

Our attendance for the first four months reached a percentage of 96.47. This most desirable condition has been brought to pass by two factors; namely, good health and good transportation.

Recommendations

In my last report some space was given to a statement in reference to the school building program for the next few years. The elimination of the rural schools by consolidating them with the larger elementary schools was touched upon. The time is near at hand when the South School should be discontinued. To discontinue this school without building elsewhere would mean part-time education for at least two grades at Agawam Center. In view of this fact, I recommend that the Committee make a survey of the school building needs of the Agawam section of our town, so that in 1932 possibly a definite building program can be presented for the consideration of our citizens.

This report, written about the improvements which you as a Committee have sponsored, bears witness to the high regard in which you hold the important trust that the citizens of Agawam have placed in you.

Respectfully submitted,

B. J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

January, 1930, to *January,* 1931

Number of Schools visited	8
Number of Visits to Schools	708
Number of Visits to Homes	266
Number of Treatments in Schools: First aid, Impetigo, Slight wounds, Burns, etc	1614
Number of Pupils inspected: Heads for Pediculosis, Temperature taken, Skin, Teeth, Throats, etc	5644
Number of Pupils taken to Oculist and Physician	27
Number of Pupils taken to Shrine Hospital for advice and repair of braces	2
Number of Pupils taken to Dentist	10
Number of cases of Scarlet Fever	7
Number of cases of Diphtheria	1
Number of cases of Whooping Cough	5
Number of cases of Chicken Pox	5

27 children had Tonsils and Adenoids removed.

58 children were vaccinated in July, and 75 were vaccinated in October.

10 children were taken to Camp Keepwell.

Pupils in North Agawam, Agawam Center, Feeding Hills, Springfield Street, Suffield, West and South Streets, were measured twice and weighed five times.

3 pupils were taken to Westfield Sanatorium for X-ray. All were negative.

Dr. Chamberlin's Physical Examination revealed—

Number of cases of Tonsils and Adenoids	429
Number of cases of Defective Teeth	629
Number of cases of Glands	17
Number of Orthopedic cases	8

Number of cases of Slight Goiter 7

In January 1930, examinations for tuberculosis were made by the State Clinic, with the following results:

Population of School Children 1640
Total Number of Children given the Tuberculin Test .. 1484
Total Number of Adults given the Tuberculin Test 18
Percentage tested of the number of children in school .. 90%
Total Number who Reacted to Test— Children 288
Adults 10
Total 298
Number of Children referred for examination on X-Ray evidence 65
Total Number of Children Examined (Contacts and Non-Contacts) 65
Total Number of Contacts Examined (Reported Cases Only) 7
Number of cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis Found .. 1
Number of cases of Hilum Tuberculosis Found 5
Number of cases Classified as Suspects 24
Percentage of hilum cases among the children showing positive tuberculin test 2%
Percentage of hilum cases among the children tested 3-10 of 1%
Percentage of suspicious cases among the children showing positive tuberculin test 8%
Percentage of suspicious cases among the children tested 2%
Total Number of cases of Malnutrition Observed 7%
(This figure does not include the cases found among the children showing positive tuberculosis and those classified as Suspects.)
Percentage of Malnutrition of the number of children examined 11%

The only positive case of pulmonary tuberculosis found has been under the constant supervision of the family physician, good home care, X-rays, etc., and has returned to High School in good condition.

In March a Senior High School girl contracted smallpox. Dr. Anderson of the State Department of Health with the school nurse interviewed every possible contact, but the carrier was never traced. A complete survey of pupils was made for vaccination scar—93% were vaccinated.

Report of the Schick Test in Agawam for 1930, administered by Dr. Chamberlin:

	No. Tested
Agawam Center School	
Suffield Street School	
South School	121
High School	60
North Agawam School	138
Springfield Street School	159
Feeding Hills School	
and West Street School	85
Total	563

The following list shows the results for all school children tested under High School, and the pre-school:

Total Schicks found negative	235	46.7%
Pseudo	208	41.3%
Total number protected	443	88.0%
Total Schicks found positive	34	6.7%
Combined	26	5.1%
Total number partially and wholly unprotected	60	11.8%

A Dental Clinic has been started in Agawam. The idea was first started by the Women's Club, and the Town voted to buy equipment for it. Other clubs have also voted some money to aid in the good work. The following list shows what has already been accomplished in this Clinic:

Number of Children examined	144
Work done: Extractions	14
Permanent fillings	16
Temporary fillings	17

My sincere appreciation to the Parents, Superintendent, Principals, and Teachers for their unfailing courtesy and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Louise Black.

REPORT OF THE JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Mr. Phelps:

A recent edition of *The Agawam Mirror* included an editorial with the heading "Championship School." The title seemed well chosen since the following facts were set forth: Last year our orchestra was placed first in its class in Massachusetts and given second place in the New England contest; two years back our commercial department won the Spelling Championship of the Connecticut Valley and last year the Massachusetts Novice as well as the Amateur Champion Typewriting titles; *The Agawam Mirror* has won high honor ratings in the National Scholastic Press Association for the last five years; our basket ball teams have won the Twin State Championship for the last four years and have twice captured honors at the State College Tournaments; the football championship was won in 1929 and the baseball championship was won last year. Our present basket ball team is well on its way to another Twin State Championship, having lost none of its league games and but one outside game. These extraordinary accomplishments have been re-enforced by a generally high plane of scholastic, artistic, and vocational work throughout the entire school. Naturally we are not immune to all of the maladjustments of adolescence, but, for the most part, we seem to have our quota of *esprit de corps.* I feel that even more than in preceding years members of the faculty have made a concerted effort to identify their subject matter with the broader concept of educational aims.

The marking systems of schools and teachers have always

received a great deal of criticism, some of which has been valid and some entirely untenable. Naturally each teacher has a slightly different criterion upon which she bases her grades, and as a result two English teachers, for example, will rarely agree in their estimations of a particular composition. Such a discrepancy, however, is expected and not really serious. The objectionable variances are due to a lack of understanding of marks and their meanings. Chief offenders are those who have a program of achievement in their minds which is beyond the general attainment, or below the level of the class. Truly indicative marks are made on a comparative basis within the class itself and in accordance with the general average of school marks. My computation shows that in our Grades 9, 10, 11, 12 the median is 76.51% with a standard deviation of 9.48. According to these figures, then, and in consideration of the normal curve of frequency distribution, about 38% of the class should receive a C+; 24% B or B+; 7% A or A+; 24% C or C– and 7% unsatisfactory. By computing the median mark and deviation for each teacher it has been possible to make comparisons with the standard figures, and thereby make constructive suggestions to teachers who show an abnormal irregularity in their marking. The following tabulation shows a normal marking situation for the school.

		Teacher								
1930	*Senior High*	*A*	*B*	*C*	*D*	*E*	*F*	*G*	*H*	*I*
Average	76.25	73.5	79.2	73	75.2	75.8	77.6	80.3	73.6	78.7
Standard Deviation	9.49	8.6	7.7	7.7	12.1	9.7	14	6.2	11.9	5.7

Note—The standard deviation refers to the dispersion or scattering of the class.

Last year the Otis Classification Test was administered to the entire seventh grade and this year we substituted the Public School Achievement Test. Both tests proved to be of considerable value in assisting in the sectional grouping and also in exposing predominating weaknesses in the major subjects. While there has been decided retrenchment recently in the use and application of intelligence tests, the achievement form of objective test seems to possess lasting merit in serving a distinct utilitarian purpose. As to the advantages of homogeneous grouping in our junior grades the following ones are apparent: more rapid

progress in the subjects; a greater stimulus for individual effort; better opportunity to develop a feeling of confidence in students of slow development. The chief difficulty is, of course, in adjusting technique and subject matter to the different groups. The classes in the upper four grades have remained largely heterogeneous in organization, but the contract type of assignment used by several of the teachers has enabled them to utilize the advantages of graded work to a considerable degree.

In addition to the need for re-enforcement in the Household Arts Department as suggested in my last report, there is now a condition in the English Department which should be acknowledged and remedied. While the English situation in this school has been kept well in hand by efficient teaching, it, nevertheless, remains a difficult problem as it does in most of our high schools. A recent investigation exposes the following facts: English class enrollment is 25% above the enrollment of other subjects; English costs less per pupil than any other subject—(actual cost about $7.00); ten hours of theme correcting weekly is the psychological maximum per teacher, while our teachers would need twenty-five hours now to correct their papers properly; the ideal number for each English teacher to meet daily would be seventy students—but, regardless of this low number, the cost per pupil would still be less than in vocational and technical subjects. Our teachers are meeting around one hundred and twenty-five students per day, which necessitates eliminating much of the careful correcting of papers and conference assignments which are so valuable if followed out by remedial assignments. Furthermore, another school year will bring increased enrollment to the upper grades. Therefore, in consideration of all ramifications, it seems that another English teacher will be indispensable for the coming school year. I am not an advocate for increasing the emphasis on the grammarian's jargon, but I am of the opinion that students should have more drill and practice in writing, reading and speaking effective English.

We are hopeful that we may soon have a non-climbable wire fence to protect all of our athletic field. During the football season, especially, it is most inconvenient to handle the spectators advantageously. With fence protection it would be possible to augment greatly the revenue from our athletic contests. Although few schools have been able to do it, we desire to continue our practice of not levying an athletic tax on the student body but rather to finance our athletic program entirely on gate

receipts. A fence would help in making this policy a permanent one.

It has been said that a democracy needs a distinctive type of education, and that it is not advisable to appropriate the educational procedures of countries unlike our own. For the past decade there has been a decided effort among our own educators to create a new program of living which will fulfil and fully utilize the potentialities of our super-civilization. The discrepancy between traditional educational ideals and the needs of our modern civilization is most apparent, and while we know that education is not primarily vocational nor primarily for leisure, the proper combination for producing the maximum of self-realization for each student is not yet known specifically. Many times educators have adopted innovations without sufficient skeptical appraisal, welcoming merely the changing of subject matter as the necessary nostrum for alleviating the growing pains of education. Too much change is not the answer to our problem—much of the old is good and essential, but rather a revamping and re-evaluation in the light of present day tendencies and sociological manifestations. In a small way, at least, I feel that we have paralleled our educational program with regard to the predominating social pressures, and that our graduates are tolerably well attuned to the clamorous symphony of our changing world. This business of "keeping up" with the times educationally is one of vast implications and one demanding most careful alignment with environmental modifications.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere gratitude to the many friends in Agawam who have in their several ways assisted me in my work, thereby changing it from the merely prosaic to the inspirational plane.

Respectfully submitted,

F. Earl Williams,
Principal.

ART

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

The art work in the Elementary schools of Agawam the past year has followed closely the various lines of interests and activities of child life, thereby fulfilling the threefold purpose of public school art: To discover and train the talents of the few, to develop appreciation and love for the beautiful in all, and to aid the teacher in enriching and correlating her various subjects. The making of history notebooks, geography sandtables, health and safety posters, scenery for holiday programs, shows a number of instances where the art work is a real aid to elementary activities.

The Special Classes, one in North Agawam and the other in the High School have, I feel, done unusually fine work in art and handwork this year, under the very able and enthusiastic direction of their teachers.

Last spring the fifth and sixth grades entered the annual S. P. C. A. poster contest, and won five medals and four honorable mentions at the Boston showing.

The Tercentenary Year in Massachusetts was observed in the High School by making posters of historic interest, and working out a special cover design and other cuts for the Tercentenary number of the "Agawam Mirror."

In observance of Agawam's 75th Anniversary a contest was held for a design to be used on the program cover commemorating the event. The prize of five dollars offered by the Town Committee was awarded to Karl King, a sophomore.

The high school has shown a great increase in the number of pupils electing art, and a wide range of courses has been neces-

sary. The advanced classes have done chiefly drawing and painting in the various mediums, the eighth grades work almost wholly in applied design, and the seventh grades have a course in Art Appreciation.

Scenery and decorations were made for the various social and dramatic events of the school, the most outstanding being the work done for the Chinese Operetta given by the Music Department. Prizes were offered for the best posters for the presentation, Dorothy Smith winning the first and Marilyn Donaldson the second. The unusual amount of talent in this group of Agawam students, and the finished quality of their work give rise to the hope that some of them will be able to take up some branch of art as a career.

If the Junior and Senior High classes continue to increase, it may become necessary within the next few years to have the grade work of the Supervisor more strictly that of true supervision and less of actual teaching. The lessons in the grades can be done by the grade teacher, whereas only the art teacher herself can care for the needs of the pupils in the high school.

The annual exhibition of art and handwork done by the grades, auxiliary classes, and the high school was held in June.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY M. CROWLEY,
Supervisor of Art.

MUSIC

Mr. Benjamin J. Phelps,
Superintendent of Schools,
Agawam, Mass.

Dear Sir:

The primary aim of the Music Department of the Agawam Public Schools is to give pleasure to each child through music. Development of skills and abilities, discriminative listening, and experience in singing is guided with this end in view.

The work of the year has run smoothly and we feel that it has been very successful. This is due to the keen interest shown by the pupils and the excellent cooperation given by teachers and pupils alike.

The Supervisor's schedule was very similar to that followed in 1929. The elementary grades had a half hour visit every two weeks. During this visit the Supervisor conducted the class and introduced any new work assigned. At the beginning of the year the work of all grades was carefully outlined. In addition to this each teacher had a detailed outline every month with all songs and theory listed. Then there have been four Teachers' Meetings for discussion of new methods and materials useful for class work.

Perhaps the most outstanding event of the year was the participation of our High School Orchestra in the State Band and Orchestra Contest held at Waltham, May 17. There they won first prize in Class C. This entitled them to represent Massachusetts at the New England Contest in Pawtucket, R. I., where they ranked second in their class. Agawam may well be proud of the achievement, for the girls and boys not only proved their musical proficiency but earned practically all the money for the expense of both trips themselves. The results of the inspiration gained from participation in these contests is shown by the size

and enthusiasm of the present orchestra. It is so worth while that we certainly hope that they may have the privilege of going again.

The usual recital for Commencement was furnished by the mixed chorus and the orchestra—the chorus singing the cantata "The Village Blacksmith" and the orchestra playing one of the prize winning numbers and the Intermezzo from L'Arlesienne Suite No. 2 by Bizet.

Another big event for the Music Department was the Annual Musical Comedy. This year the production was "The China Shop," a very pretty and tuneful work. Due to excellent co-operation from the Art, Manual Training, and Girl's Physical Training Departments, the details were more carefully worked out then ever before.

Music need not be treated as an art in itself, for it can be woven into the different activities of the day. So we have tried to keep a close correlation with the other studies of the child's daily life. In the Junior-Senior High School this is most effectively shown by the assistance given in assembly programs.

"I am Music.
Servant and Master am I; Servant of those dead, and Master of those living. Through me spirits immortal speak the message that makes the world weep, and laugh, and wonder and worship.
I am Music."

Sincerely yours,

Ruth A. Perry,
Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF THE ATTENDANCE OFFICER

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Number of calls at the schools	520
Number of calls at homes for the schools	609
Number of calls in reference to employment certificates	30
Number of truants	37
Number of investigations for other cities and towns	12
Number of court cases	1
Number of boys in Hampden County Training School	1

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL O. CESAN.

TEACHERS' APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS—1930

Appointments

Name	*Subject or Grade*	*School*	*Began Service*
Gertrude M. Belyea	Commercial	Senior High	Sept., 1930
Elaine W. Mansfield	French	Senior High	Sept., 1930
Raymond E. Harris	Science	Junior High	Sept., 1930
Doris K. Kenney	Grade VI	Agawam Center	Sept., 1930
Mary F. Holmes	Grade IV	Agawam Center	Sept., 1930
Virginia Keeney	Grade I	Agawam Center	Sept., 1930
Ruth M. Mason	Grades V-VI	North Agawam	Sept., 1930
Alice E. Hannon	Grades III-IV	North Agawam	Sept., 1930
Nora C. Murphy	Special Class	North Agawam	Sept., 1930
Geraldine H. Parker	Grade VI	Springfield St.	Sept., 1930
Phyllis R. Gray	Principal and Grade VI	Feeding Hills	Sept., 1930
Marguerite C. Kramer	Grades IV-V	Feeding Hills	Sept., 1930
Madeline E. Townsend	Grades I-II	Feeding Hills	Jan., 1931
Ethel M. Wood	Grades I-II-III	Suffield St.	Sept., 1930

Resignations

			Service Ended
Elizabeth E. Baker	Commercial	Senior High	June, 1930
Erika C. Jauch	French	Senior High	June, 1930
Gladys E. Goodwin	Grade VI	Agawam Center	June, 1930
Eleanor Sutcliffe	Grade IV	Agawam Center	June, 1930
Ida J. Hubbell	Grade II	Agawam Center	June, 1930

Name	*Subject or Grade*	*School*	*Service Ended*
Jessica Dickinson	Grade I	Agawam Center	June, 1930
Grace M. Connell	Grades V-VI	North Agawam	June, 1930
Anna M. Connors	Grades III-IV	North Agawam	June, 1930
Phyllis B. Irwin	Special Class	North Agawam	June, 1930
Helyne D. Mousley	Principal and Grade VI	Feeding Hills	June, 1930
Mary E. Spelman	Grades IV-V	Feeding Hills	June, 1930
Geraldine Gosse	Grades I-II	Feeding Hills	Oct., 1930

TRANSFERS

	From	*To*	*Date*
Cecily C. Pratt	Suffield St. School	Agawam Center, Grade II	Sept., 1930

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT

DECEMBER 31, 1930

	Subject or Grade	*Education*	*Began Service in Agawam*
SUPERINTENDENT			
Benjamin J. Phelps		Yale College, B. A. Teachers' College, M. A.	July, 1922
SUPERVISORS			
Mary M. Crowley	Art	Mass. Normal Art School, B. S.	Sept., 1926
Ruth A. Perry	Music	Keene Normal School Montpelier Seminary	Sept., 1926
HIGH SCHOOL			
F. Earl Williams	Principal	Mass. Agricultural College, B. S.	Sept., 1927
Mrs. Hazel C. Aldrich	Domestic Science	Skidmore College of Arts	Sept., 1922
Frederick T. Dacey	Manual Training	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1922
Marian A. Edgell	Physical Training and Coach of Girls' Athletics	Boston School of Physical Education	Sept., 1929
Harmon A. Smith	Physical Training and Coach of Boys' Athletics	Y. M. C. A. College	Sept., 1924
Louis H. Moseley	Agriculture	Mass. Agricultural College	Sept., 1929
Gertrude M. Belyea	Sr. Commercial	Nasson Institute	Sept., 1930
Nellie I. Button	Sr. English	Middlebury College M. A.	Sept., 1922

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT—(Continued)

	Subject or Grade	*Education*	*Began Service in Agawam*
Allan M. Hadley	Sr. Science	Clark University, B. A.	Sept., 1927
Elaine W. Mansfield	Sr. French	Smith College, B. A.	Sept., 1930
Dorothy H. Lilly	Sr. English	Smith College, B. A.	Sept., 1928
Clara L. McIntire	Sr. Commercial	Bay Path Institute Northeastern Univ., B. A.	Sept., 1922
Eleanor B. Miller	Sr. Latin and Math.	Smith College, B. A.	Sept., 1928
Katharine M. Phealan	Sr. Eng. and Hist.	Smith College, B. A.	Sept., 1927
John M. Quirk	Sr. Science	Middlebury College, B. A.	Jan., 1923
Eleanor H. Smith	Sr. Mathematics	Smith College, B. A. Teachers' College, M. A.	Sept., 1922
Marjorie Ward	Sr. History	Smith College, B. A. Teachers' College, M. A.	Sept., 1922
Cora M. Barnes	Jr. History	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1922
Annette E. Deely	Jr. History	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1921
Mae P. Lynch	Jr. Mathematics	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1919
Raymond E. Harris	Jr. Science	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1930
Emily M. McCormick	Jr. Mathematics	Westfield Normal Bay Path Institute	Sept., 1924
Hazelle J. Merrill	Jr. Social Science	Farmington Normal	Sept., 1929
Mrs. Viola W. Phillips	Jr. English	New Britain Normal Springfield Commercial	April, 1920
Catherine T. Powers	Jr. Social Science	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1917
Dorothy E. Smith	Jr. English	Wheaton College, B. A.	Sept., 1929
Mrs. Marion C. Smith	Special Class	Providence Normal	Sept., 1929

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT—(Continued)

	Subject or Grade	*Education*	*Began Service in Agawam*
AGAWAM CENTER SCHOOL			
Mary E. McDowell	Principal	Eastern State Normal	Sept., 1926
Doris K. Kenney	Grade VI	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1930
Jean Carman	V	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1929
Nora M. Chandler	Grades IV-V	Farmington Normal	Sept., 1927
Mary F. Holmes	Grade IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1930
A. Marion Loomis	III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1929
Cecily C. Pratt	Grade II	Fitchburg Normal	Sept., 1928
Virginia Keeney	Grade I	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1930
NORTH AGAWAM SCHOOL			
Katherine G. Danahy	Principal	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1899
Eleanor C. Daly	VI	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1923
Ruth M. Mason	Grades V-VI	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1930
Kathryn M. Roache	Grade V	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1922
Alice McKeown	Grade IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1923
Alice E. Hannon	Grades III-IV	Lowell Normal	Sept., 1930
Olive A. Fox	Grade III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1914
Alice B. Connolly	II	Fitchburg Normal	Dec., 1929
Julia A. O'Connell	Grade I	Spfld. Kindergarten	April, 1927
Jennie M. Lucas	Grade I	Southington Training	Sept., 1900
Nora C. Murphy	Special Class	Springfield Normal Training School	Sept., 1930

TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT—(Continued)

	Subject or Grade	*Education*	*Began Service in Agawam*
SPRINGFIELD ST. SCHOOL			
Faolin M. Peirce	Principal	Springfield Normal	Sept., 1909
Mrs. Mildred T. Clark	Grade I	Higgins Classical Inst.	April, 1922
Helen E. Talmadge	II	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1929
Ruth M. Cassidy	III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1929
Elizabeth C. McCormick	Grades III-IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1927
Cora Y. Desmarais	Grade IV	New Haven State Normal	Sept., 1927
Dorothy M. Emerson	Grade V	Univ. of Vermont Training Class	Sept., 1925
Geraldine H. Parker	Grade VI	Framingham Normal	Sept., 1930
FEEDING HILLS SCHOOL			
Phyllis R. Gray	Principal and Grade VI	Portsmouth Training School	Sept., 1930
Marguerite C. Kramer	Grades IV-V	North Adams Normal	Sept., 1930
Ruth M. Ripley	Grades II-III	Castine Normal	Sept., 1925
Madeline E. Townsend	Grades I-II	North Adams Normal	Jan. 5, 1931
SOUTH SCHOOL			
Merriam S. Weeks	Grades I-II-III	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1926
SUFFIELD ST. SCHOOL			
Ethel M. Wood	Grades I-II-III	Framingham Normal	Sept., 1930
WEST ST. SCHOOL			
Lora M. Bettinger	Grades I-II-III-IV	Westfield Normal	Sept., 1928

Articles in Warrant

Articles in Warrant for Annual Town Meeting March 7, 1931

ARTICLE 1. To choose two or more Fence Viewers and two or more Field Drivers.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act upon the reports of the Town Officers.

ARTICLE 3. To see what method the Town will adopt for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the observance of Memorial Day and provide for its expenditure.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for the payment of a proper charge of an Insurance Company for acting as surety on the official bond of its officers.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money for liability insurance of its employees.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $400 to be expended by the Hampden County Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provision of the Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

ARTICLE 8. To see what action the Town will take regarding the appointment of a Town Director to represent the Town

as a member of the Directors for the Hampden County Improvement League and Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to build a sewer on any part of Suffield Street and appropriate money therefor or take any action concerning the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for permanent road work in Suffield Street.

Article 11. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of $15,000 provided the State and County shall each appropriate a like amount for the purpose of continuing the construction of highway on Westfield Street, commenced during the past year.

Article 12. To see if the Town will establish the number of voters to constitute a quorum at town meeting.

Article 13. To see if the Town will instruct their Assessors to publish the valuation list for 1931.

Article 14. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for overdrafts of 1930, and also for bills contracted during 1930 not presented.

Article 15. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for construction of sidewalks in Town.

Article 16. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the care of North Cemetery.

Article 17. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the Old Age Pension Act.

Article 18. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the betterment of the water service in North Street, and any of its connecting streets, or take any action regarding the same.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will authorize its Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the current municipal year beginning January 1, 1931, in anticipation of the revenue of said year, such sums of money as may be necessary for the current expenses of the town.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will appropriate any sum of money for the care of the Town burial lot in the Springfield Street Cemetery.

ARTICLE 21. To make the necessary appropriations for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

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